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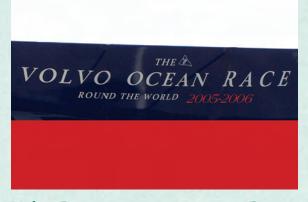
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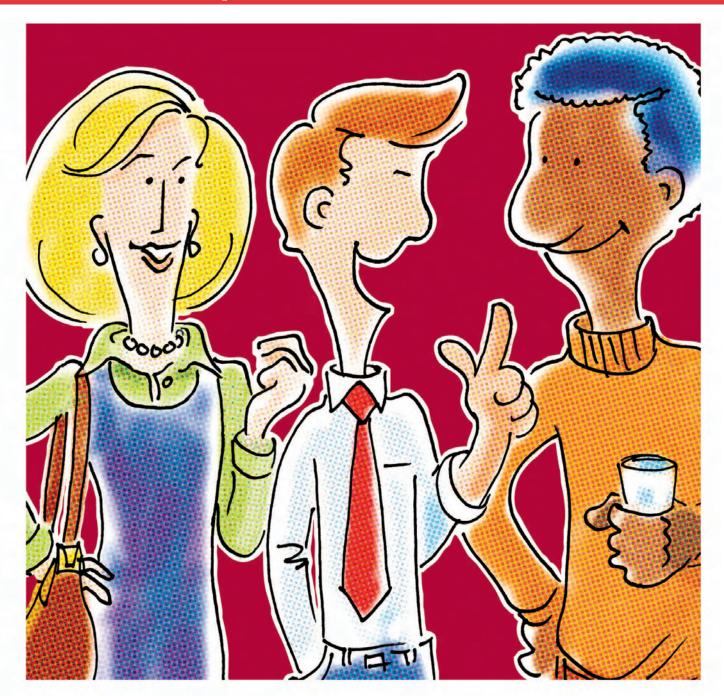


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HOW do we BUILD a unified community?

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The conversations held as part of "Let's Talk, Annapolis" will inform the update of the Annapolis Comprehensive Plan. The update of the Comprehensive Plan will begin in the Fall of 2006. The Comprehensive Plan sets City policy governing land use, zoning, transportation, housing, environmental stewardship and other aspects of city life.

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Public Works: Round the Clock Heroes

The "Inside Story"

eet your Annapolis Public Works Department, a "lean" department of 105 dedicated, loyal employees who perform a broad range of services for you each and every day. The best testament of their dedication and loyalty is that over 20% of the Public Works team has worked for the Department for more than 20 years.

KUDOS:

"As a lifelong resident of the City, I'd like to compliment the outstanding work done by the Annapolis Public Works
Department. From winter snow removal to year-round refuse collection, their unsung work is truly exceptional...Kudos to the hard workers of the Annapolis Public Works Department."

Dan Winegrad, *The Capital*, July 2005

"Our company is so proud of these signs since they turned out so beautifully. I do believe we will put them on our website catalogues, and other advertising in the future. Again...ALWAYS a pleasure working with you!"

> Sales Executive, Newman Traffic Signs



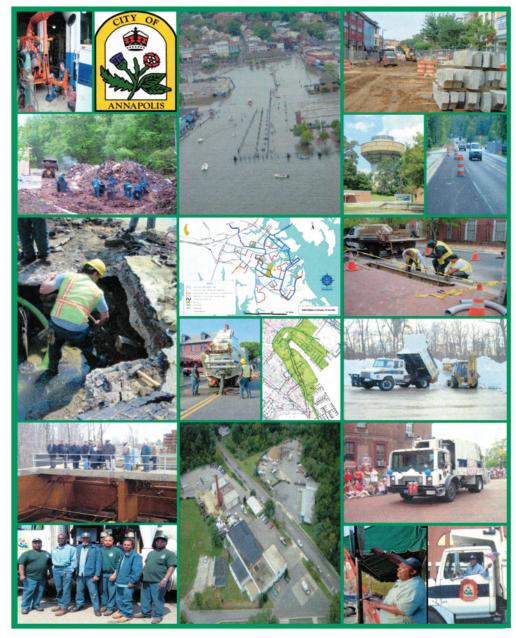


Photo left: Navigate Annapolis, a new program by Public Works, provides beautiful signage for pedestrians throughout the City.

Below left: Mayor Ellen Moyer with Harry Sandrouni, Lily Openshaw and Judy Ridgway, coordinators of the 2005 Public Works Expo.

Below right: A 20-Year Plaque was awarded to Sam Brice, Engineer, by the Director of Public Works, Margaret B. Martin.





Public Works Administration at Your Service!



Public Works Adminstrative Staff (left to right): Lily Openshaw, PE, Engineer, Tisha Lindsay, Christine Macon, Marcia Patrick, PE, Engineer, Assistant to the Director and Judy Ridgway.

public Works Administration provides overall management, and policy guidelines for the Department.

For you, we provide:

- Emergency and daily customer service (call 410.263.7949). Our service professionals field an average of 60-70 calls per day from the public
- Administrative support for department, personnel issues and training
- Purchasing and account maintenance for daily operations and capital projects
- Payroll for 105 employees
- Design of Public Works and Community Organizations on City website (E-mail: JAR@Annapolis.gov)
- Planning of annual Public Works Expo and employee recognition events
- Department representation at community, council, board and City commission meetings
- Project coordination with state, county and City governments via "Construction Traffic Coordination Group" employees

Public Works Administration creates and implements initiatives to broaden community awareness and enhance City appearance.

Projects of note:

- "Clean City Campaign" Mission to lead by example to keep our City clean
- "Graffiti Buster" Removal of graffiti in Historic District
- "Public Spaces/Public Places" Inventory that identifies responsibilities for upkeep and maintenance
- Snow Removal Education Campaign
- Public Works Expo
- "Access Annapolis" Review of street signs in public right-of-ways to eliminate visual clutter and haphazard design
- "Navigate Annapolis" New signs for pedestrian traffic downtown

Special thanks go to Judy Ridgway and Lily Openshaw for their creativity, attention to detail and thoroughness in preparing this insight and tribute to Public Works!

KUDOS:

"We want to thank you for this prompt and efficient service. It should be a matter of pride that our City has such fine and efficient employees. We are most grateful and appreciative."

DKA, Annapolis

FACT:

Public Works Director, Margaret B. Martin, PE, is a real Public Works Pioneer. She is the first woman to serve in this high profile, professional position. She manages a \$13 million dollar budget and leads over 105 employees. She has handled her formidable workload well, despite having to respond to some of the most significant natural disasters to face Annapolis in the last century: Hurricane Isabel, a 100-year winter snowstorm, a large water main break downtown, and heightened security measures since 9/11. She leads her department with a philosophy that balances beauty with purpose.



Public Works Bureau of Engineering and Construction

he Bureau of Engineering and Construction provides professional engineering services for City projects and agencies within City limits. In addition to maintaining the permanent record drawing of the City projects, some dating back to the 1800's, the Bureau provides engineering consulting services to other City agencies, manages the Capital Construction Program from design through completion of construction, maintains the survey monument system, manages the Street Repaving Program, inspects the public infrastructure installed by developers and issues permits for activities which occupy the public way, including street/sidewalk blocking, curb cuts, sidewalk replacement and sidewalk cafes.

KUDOS:

"Our civic association has been very happy with the support that we've received from engineers and all of the other City employees in Annapolis. It's nice to have such a responsible and hard-working group of public employees."





Tom Vodak and George Meiklejohn, Surveyors on Duke of Gloucester Street.



Paul Lackey, Draftsperson; Tom Vodak, Surveyor; Harry Sandrouni and Sam Brice, Engineers and Joe Baker, Chief of Engineering & Construction studying a City of Annapolis plat.

The City's "Bucket" Truck assists during emergencies as well as the "Hanging of the Greens".





Routine maintenance or emergency repair of traffic lights and high wire signage involve skill, stamina and nerve!



Larry Moore, Traffic Engineer, assisting students at the 2005 Public Works Expo.



Rodger McAlister, Public Works Inspector

Public Works Water Treatment Facility



Richard Goodman, Deborah Perdue, recently retired Robert Moore, and Oscar Taylor with Jake at the Water Treatment Facility.



Thomas L. Crabtree, Water Plant Superintendent, will soon retire after serving the City for 27 years.



Equipment used for purification of your water.

KUDOS:

"I called about an odd taste in the water at our house. The gentleman on the phone was courteous and personable, and told me he could send a technician to our house at no charge to sample the water and make sure it was OK. The technician was equally pleasant and cooperative...and had a couple of questions which solved our problems. She assured me that if her telephone solution did not work, she would come out to test our water. It is not just the good service that pleases me, but the altogether pleasant manner of the people I talked to. This attitude is a major factor in making our City one of the more desirable places to live." LMK, MD, Tyler Avenue

FACT:

At Public Works Expo 2005, Annapolis took 1st Place in the Water tasting Contest, beating 27 other entries from across the US and Canada.

FACT:

The City Water Treatment Plant produces over 1.5 billion gallons of our award-winning water per year.



How to Contact Your Public Works Department

We're just a call or click away...

Call Us

Administration • 410-263-7949 *Services • 410-263-7967 **Utilities • 410-263-7970 Water Plant: • 410-224-2140

On the Web

www. Annapolis.gov jump word: Public Works jump word: CARTS (Citizens of Annapolis Request

Tracking System)

Emergency Services

(After 4:30 or on Weekends and Holidays, call the Water Plant):

**Sewer Back-Ups

*Storm Drains

*Snow/ Ice Emergencies

**Water Main Breaks *Traffic Lights/Signs

Non-Emergency Services:

Aerial Photography As-Built Engineering Records:

> Water Sewer

Storm water

Roadways

*Bulk Trash Pick-up

*Christmas Tree Disposal

Curb Cut permits

Construction Specifications Easements and Right-of-Ways

Flood Zone designations

Grading Permits

Graffiti

**Low Water Pressure

Mosquito Management Program Permanent Records of City Facilities

Photogammetry site data

*Potholes

Property ownership investigations

*Recycling Collection

*Refuse Collection

*Roadways: Clearing/ Repairs

Satellite Imagery

Sidewalk Clearing

Sidewalk/ Curb Repair

Sidewalk Permits

*Signs: Directional, Street, Traffic

Siteplans for city-wide construction

*Street Light Out (Historic District only;

all others, report to BGE)

*Street sweeping

Survey Monuments and reports

**Sewer Stoppage

Topographic Maps

*Traffic Calming

*Traffic Counts

Underground Utility locations

*Yard Recycling

Public Works Services Divison

KUDOS:

"It is with total delight and awe for (the) Public Works Services Supervisor, that we, the local residents, and tourists can enjoy strolling down Prince George Street with special notice of the fine brick sidewalk which was so artfully and adroitly rebuilt today in front of our home...He managed the project to get the "A" team out to remove the stump and rebrick the sidewalk in record time, what you might call an "extreme makeover"!"

VB and FC, Annapolis, August 2005



Street Maintenance and Beautification Street Sweeper at Public Works Expo.





City crews collected all the downed trees and branches after a big wind and rain storm, showing the importance of access to proper equipment.

Griffin and Monica Patrick made "rubbings" of Annapolis Manhole covers at the 2005 Public Works Expo.



The Tub Grinder with conveyor belt processes Yard Waste Recycling.

Street Maintenance and Beautification Crew - Summer 2005: Carmichael Johnson, Franklin B. Johnson, Oscar Taylor, Albert Johnson, Warren Hebron and William Johnson.



FACT:

During the "Blizzard of 2003", 400,000 cubic yards of snow were removed from City streets. Big trucks hold ten cubic yards. This calculates to 31,600 truck loads of snow! This photo shows our "Mt. Truxmore". For four days, a continuous parade of dump trucks deposited multitudes of the snow untill Truxtun Park's lot was overflowing.



Yard waste recycling is stockpiled after Public Works crews run it through a tub grinder.



Bulk Pickup crews collect furniture, household appliances, lawnmowers, sinks, carpets and more.



Refuse crews begin as early as 5:30 AM in all weather conditions.



Ray Housley of the Fleet Maintenance Center installs a new trailer jack on the Metro Leaf Vacuuming Machine.



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hen there's a water main break, a sewage backup, new water lines to install or old ones to repair, these gentlemen make up the crews that do the "dirty" work for you to ensure you receive dependable, continuous service.

KUDOS:

"A week ago today, our sewer backed up at (our home on) Baldridge Road. It turned out to be on the City side, so I called it in (to Public Works). Within half an hour, two gents showed up in a truck. And, I just wanted to write and say what a wonderful job they did. They were prompt, well-trained, had good equipment and were very courteous. I just wish I had made a note of their names. My hats off to you, your organization, and the two guys that helped us out. Well done!" S.O. and R.O., January 2005

"We want you to know about the outstanding leadership and cooperation we've seen again with your people in dealing with a neighborhood problem – this time a troublesome sewage spill. A top-flite team, assembled and managed by the Utilities Supervisor, jumped on our problem, kept it from spreading, brought experts in to track down the cause, and settled on a longterm fix. The crew worked like demons in the rainy and freezing weather to get the job done right and quickly. Please extend our thanks to all of them for a job well done."

JB, Shipwright Street, Annapolis

Public Works Utilities Division

- WastewaterCollection
- Water Distribution
- Meter Reading and Repairs
- Water Connection and Repair









First Responders to Disaster









rom Hurricane Isabel to the Black Friday Fire, Public Works personnel have been **first responders**, armed with barricades and portable lights, and heavy equipment to move the debris, and **last responders** with the plans and crews to execute or oversee restoration.

The vital role of Public Works in Emergency Management has been recognized in the National Response Plan, the National Incident Management System, and the Critical Infrastructure Protection Plan. This Department takes great pride in that we have successfully executed operations during recent major emergency events.

SNOW

"Hey Snow Team!!! Please...take a bow! You deserve it! I wanted to make sure you (receive) detailed feedback about the excellent performance of your City Dock snow removal crew...The crew is a wonderful asset promoting safety and enjoyment of public use. The core area of our downtown, City Dock, is being cleared efficiently so it is safe for winter boats storage, customer access to their boats, and for residents and other pedestrians, to walk along the boardwalk, after a snow or ice event...They (the crews) really are doing an excellent job in the places that count!"

UD, Harbormaster, Annapolis

FIRE

"When all the world was watching, (thank you, CNN) City of Annapolis public servants performed like the champs they are...nowhere was this more evident than the City of Annapolis response to the Black Friday fire on Main Street...Public Works performed invaluable clean up to maintain public safety under trying circumstances."

Mayor Ellen Moyer, City of Annapolis NewsViews, December 2005

PUBLIC SAFETY

"Elvis Makell and Warren Johnson were honored as City of Annapolis Co-Employees of the Year 2005 by Acting Director, John Patmore, and Asst. to

the Director, Marcia
Patrick. "While on routine
"pot-hole patrol", Warren
Johnson witnessed a
young man fall off his
skateboard and hit his
head while doing a stunt.
Mr. Johnson immediately
rushed to his aid, but got
no response when talking
to him. Warren rushed
back to his vehicle and



notified the dispatcher, Elvis Makell, to call 911 for assistance. Mr. Johnson then stayed at the scene until emergency responders arrived."

Employee of the Year Column, City of Annapolis NewsViews, January 2006

"I wanted to thank you for helping me out today. Your crew was there within minutes and the work was done in a blink of an eye...just to fill you in...a co-dominant stem on a tree fell on top of a car at the South Street parking lot. I wasn't able to get a hold of my tree contractor so I called (PW) and he quickly came to the rescue...Thanks PW, you guys did a terrific job."

M.W. 5/20/05

Capital Improvement Program

What is a Capital Improvement Project?

he Capital Improvement Program (CIP) represents the City's investment in our future. Projects in the program include the initial design, construction, repairs and/or improvements of facilities that are necessary to provide municipal services, and the replacement, repair, or acquisition of major pieces of equipment required to implement such services. All long-term projects are based on our comprehensive master plan and capital improvement plan for the City.

The Bureau of Engineering and Construction provides professional engineering services for City projects and agencies within City limits. In conjunction with the sponsor departments, Bureau Chief Joe Baker, PE,



Joe Baker, PE, Chief

manages the technical aspects of the

City's \$24.5 million dollar Capital Construction Program from engineering design through completion of construction. Along with his staff of Sam Brice, PE; Harry Sandrouni, PE; Thora Burkhardt, PE; Paul Lackey, George Meiklejohn, Maggie Roberson, and Tom Vodak,

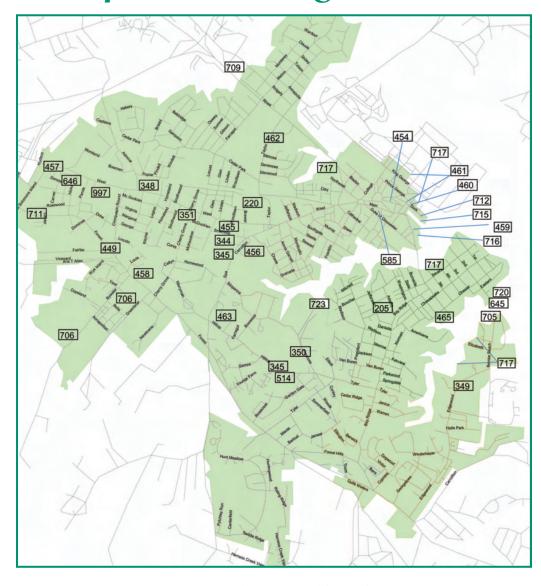
the Bureau is involved in every phase of this Program. Following are some of the CIPs.

220 - POLICE HEADQUARTERS RENOVATIONS

This project includes a 23,000 sq.ft. addition and renovations to the original 24,000 sq.ft. facility, including an Emergency Operations Center and parking deck. The facility will have a "green roof" and other environmentally friendly amenities.

449 - FOREST DRIVE SIDEWALKS/ROADS

This project defined a new, vibrant City neighborhood. Completed this past summer, it included new sidewalks along Forest Drive from Chinquapin Round Road to Old Solomon's Island Road, and storm water management structures.



351 - CITY TRAIL CONNECTORS

As part of the City's ongoing initiative to improve pedestrian accessibility City-wide, this project constructed trails to connect the end of Poplar Trail at Admiral Drive to the county trail at Jennifer Road, and also makes a connection from the Poplar Trail at N. Cherry Grove to the Spa Creek Trail at the end of McGuckian Street.

349 - BACK CREEK NATURE PARK

Located on the banks of Back Creek, this park is unique in its environmental educational opportunities. The project includes erosion remedies/shore line stabilization and storm water management. New learning exhibits – a green roof, a rain garden, educational park signage, and an expanded urban living classroom space will round out this City park. Under the Mayor's leadership, the majority of this project has been constructed by a large volunteer team directed by Mel Wilkins.

456 - GREENFIELD STREET RELOCATION

This long anticipated project will create a grand entrance to the Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts, and alleviate

significant traffic pattern concerns around Bates Middle School. It includes realignment of Greenfield Street and a new streetscape design.

460 - ALLEYWAY RECONSTRUCTION

As part of the City's ongoing initiative to improve pedestrian accessibility in the Historic District, the project involves improving all alleys in disrepair or with safety concerns.

Capital Improvement Projects ...in the pipeline!

514 - RECREATION CENTER

Currently, the City's recreation programs are being operated from several substandard facilities. This new facility will consolidate and expand recreational opportunities for all citizens of Annapolis into one convenient location. The facility will contain several full size gyms, a 200 meter, 6 lane all-purpose walking and running track, community facilities, and office spaces.

350 - TRUXTUN PARK IMPROVEMENTS

To complement the new Recreation Center, various improvements to the outdoor facilities at Truxtun Park are planned: tennis court lighting, boat ramp/pier and parking area improvements, and woodland trail improvements.

454 - FLEET AND CORNHILL ST. RECONSTRUCTION

As one of the major streets in the vista of Maryland's State Capitol building, this undertaking will enhance the visual appeal of the historic street and correct several public utility maintenance issues such as storm drain problems and a web of overhead utilities. Work includes total reconstruction of water, sewer, and storm drains, "under-grounding" overhead wires, and the installation of new granite curbs, brick sidewalks, roadway surfaces and street lights.

205 - EASTPORT FIRE STATION

The renovation of the existing Eastport Fire Station will include the addition of one equipment bay and 2,000 sq. ft. of new office space alleviating the current shortage.

Annapolis Public Works has started a trial use of an alternative fuel to reduce pollution emissions. In February, the Yard Waste Recycling Division began using biodiesel fuel for their trucks. Biodiesel is better for the environment because it is made from renewable resources and has *lower emissions* compared to petroleum diesel. It is less toxic than table salt and biodegrades as fast as sugar. Since it is made in the USA from renewable resources such as soybeans, its use decreases our dependence on foreign oil and contributes to our own economy.

Public Works is taking advantage of a rebate program offered by the Maryland Soybean Board that brings the price of biodiesel down below the price of petroleum diesel. This benefits Annapolis by reducing pollution and helping to offset the increases in our fuel expenses. The Department now has a 260 gallon tank full of biodiesel in our Services shop for the test of a 20% blend (or B20) in our Yard Trimmings Recycling vehicles.

464 – COORDINATED TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONTROL SYSTEM

A coordinated traffic control system, for all City owned traffic signals, will optimize traffic flows by real time cycle adjustments as detected by a computerized monitoring system.

457 – OUTER WEST STREET GATEWAY

This project will provide the start of general improvements to two major entrances to Annapolis to promote economic growth to the Outer West Street Corridor. Median improvements and a traffic circle at Old Solomon's Island Road include local road realignments of Willow and Hudson Streets, "under-grounding" of utilities and enhanced street lighting.

459 - CITY DOCK AREA IMPROVEMENTS

This project is designed to enhance the historic appeal of the City Dock area while repairing the deteriorated sidewalks and curbs. Brick sidewalks will be laid along the fronts of the businesses on Dock Street from Randall Street to Susan Campbell Park and a landscaped island will be constructed between Randall and Craig Streets.

462 - TAYLOR AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS

This is a major artery with high traffic volumes and these improvements will provide for a safer roadway. Vertical, horizontal, and lane width modifications will improve driving safety. Modifications will retain sufficient road curvature to provide traffic calming. This project will be done in conjunction with ongoing construction and improvements at the Park Place development.

711 - EMERGENCY WATER CONNECTIONS

A new 12-inch connection, between adjacent 16-inch water mains owned by the City and Anne Arundel county, is planned to provide emergency water supplies to either jurisdiction.

713 - WATER STORAGE TANK

This project will design and construct a new water tank that will provide one million additional gallons of water storage.

706 - PUMP STATION REPLACEMENTS

This undertaking will replace existing sewage pumping stations with new concrete wet wells and submersible pumps that are controlled by **energy efficient**, variable speed drives.

715 - CITY DOCK BULKHEAD REPLACEMENT

Replaces existing mid-1970's timber bulkhead with steel or concrete bulkhead material in two phases.



Harry Sandrouni, PE. at the Porter Drive outfall.

Your Public Works Department works hard every day to ensure Annapolis remains the community of choice to live, work and raise a family. You can be Dennis Glidden Oscar White John Downs Juanita Johnson proud of the recognition 32 Years 29 Years 23 Years 26 Years our City has received: • "20 Best Places to Live", Barrons' Magazine, 2002 "10 Most WalkableTowns", Walking Magazine Joseph Holland Izar Kerrick Thomas Vodak Purnell Contee, Sr 28 Years 32 Years 25 Years 22 Years • "50 Best Places to Live; Green and Clean", AARP Magazine • Inaugural "Favorite Choice" **Hospitality Award** National Hospice Regatta Carmichael Johnson **Thomas Crabtree** lames Bolitho Samuel Brice Alliance, 2005 32 Years 27 Years 24 Years 21 Years Maryland PLANT (People Loving and Nurturing Trees) **Community Award** Growth Award Tree City: **Arbor Day** Samuel Cyrus Donald Campbell David Mann Matthew Contee 27 Years Goldleaf Award, International 32 Years 21 Years 24 years Society of Arborculture • BGE "Right Tree in the Right Place" Award · Gold Medal Winner of EPA's "Community Partners" Award Ronald Melvin Ronald McCloskey **Doug Sears** Michael Simms 20 Years 32 Years 27 Years 24 years Mid-Atlantic Partnership for These 23 the Environment, Federal individuals have Government each dedicated over 20 years 2005 Historic Preservation of service to the Award, Historic Annapolis citizens of **Foundation** Annapolis. George James Bell George Bowling 29 Years Meiklejohn 23 Years

27 Years

A Day WITHOUT Public Works

The Department of Public Works takes pride in the service we provide to you each and every day and we strive to give a better quality of life to all the citizens of Annapolis.

Imagine...just imagine a day without Public Works!



NO SANDBAGS DURING STORM PREPARATION





NO REPAIR OF WATER **MAINS**



NO TRAFFIC LIGHT OR STREET SIGN REPAIRS



NO EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE DURING FIRES, FLOODS AND **STORMS**

NO WATER SERVICE AND NO PURIFICATION **TREATMENT** OF FRESH WATER



Public Works provides an amazing value in the services they provide with your tax dollars. Less than 13 cents, out of the 56 cents per \$100 assessment you pay each year, goes to these "Quality of Life" amenities. Public Works is a bargain by any standard, but particularly here, where the service is so good, and the products (like our award winning water) are so superior!







NO YARD WASTE RECYCLING OR RECYCLING **COLLECTION**

NO SNOW PLOWING OR SALTING OF ROADWAYS



NO STREET CLEANING OR POT HOLE REPAIRS



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Public Works provides a better quality of life for you. We provide critical services to the design, construction, maintenance and operation of the City of Annapolis. Meet the professionals who serve you with quiet dedication and enjoy our "hands-on" fun!



PUBLIC WORKS TRUCKS AND EQUIPMENT ON DISPLAY

- TALK TO CITY EMPLOYEES ABOUT WHAT THEY DO FOR YOU
- HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES AND DISPLAYS
- MAKE YOUR OWN STREET SIGN NAMED AFTER YOU, YOUR CLASS OR SCHOOL!
- "PARTNERSHIP" EXHIBITS -COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
- WINNING SCHOOLS ANNOUNCED FOR POSTER CONTEST: "A Day Without Public Works"
- WATER TASTING COMPETITION
- COMPLIMENTARY GOODIE BAG FOR EVERYONE!





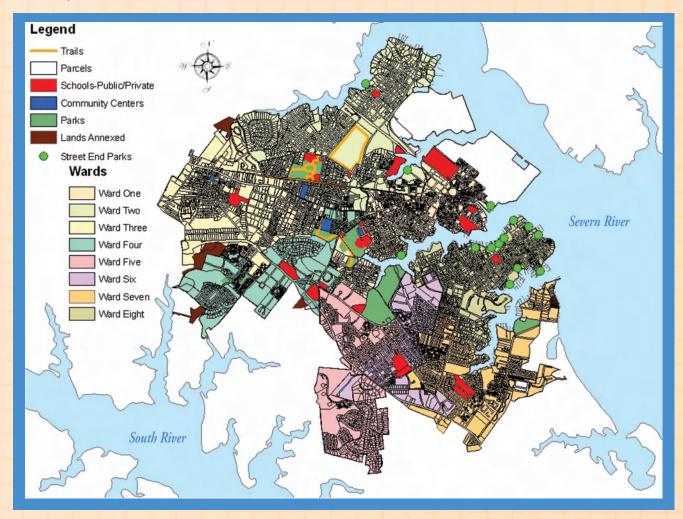


It's going to be a great day at a beautiful location... HISTORIC CITY DOCK RAIN OR SHINE

Plenty of parking for buses
For further information, contact:
Lily Openshaw,
Project Coordinator
410.263.7949

EXPLORING ANNAPOLIS...

The Fall 2005 elections brought new faces and ideas to the mix of representatives on our City Council. In the following pages, each of our Aldermen and our Alderwoman gives us a peek at the character of their district. In addition, you'll find the schools, parks and special gathering places marked out. Have fun exploring beyond your own neighborhood on your walks, bike rides and Sunday drives...we have an incredible City full of diverse riches and warm, welcoming residents.





The burgundy areas above are annexations that are within City limits but that have not been assigned to a Ward. Each annexation is shown with the proposed Ward into which it will be incorporated, once adopted by the City Council. (See Ordinance Number O-21-05 for more details.)

All maps are landscape layout with the north on top except for Ward Five which is portrait.

Map maker extraordinaire Brittany Dunkleburger, left, created the ward maps you'll enjoy throughout this section of the magazine. Kudos to Brittany for engaging so wholeheartedly in this presentation!

Ward One

Our 17th Century Street Plan Mixes it Up With 21st Century Development

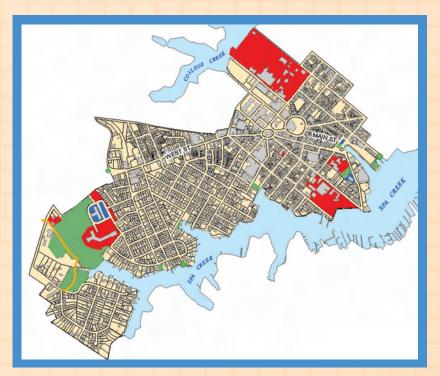
By Alderman Richard Israel

One of the most distinctive attributes of Annapolis is the collection of buildings from earlier eras known as the Historic District. The success of this National Landmark Historic District has added to the appeal of the nearby residential neighborhoods of Murray Hill, Spa View Heights and Presidents Hill. Long included within the Ward is the Bloomsbury Square community, now housed in new quarters on College Creek. Since the last redistricting, the Ward has included Truxtun Heights, an economically and racially diverse neighborhood off Spa Road.

What is unique to Annapolis is the assemblage of buildings rather than a particular building. This legacy is partly the result of the wealth of the 18th century and economic stagnation of the 19th century. In the 20th and 21st centuries, the challenge has been to reconcile a 17th century street plan with the motor vehicle.



It was private citizens who took the initiative in historic preservation. Yet, government played a crucial role. Recognizing the importance of protecting the whole assemblage, Historic Annapolis Foundation was instrumental in persuading the City Council to enact the Historic District Ordinance. In a 1969 referendum voters throughout the City approved the ordinance by an substantial majority.

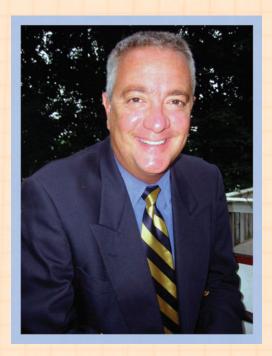


The Historic District Ordinance was not intended to create a museum. Although exterior changes to contributing buildings are subject to approval by the Historic Preservation Commission, interior changes are not. This success in preserving the buildings has contributed to change within the District – rising real estate prices and assessments, less economic and racial diversity, more visitors and vehicles, and a reorientation of business.

The success of historic preservation in the District has added to the popularity of nearby neighborhoods among young families and has been a factor in the redevelopment of the once decaying Inner West Street corridor. This corridor was rezoned for mixed use (MX) under a revitalization plan adopted by the City Council in1985. Important elements of the plan included preservation of existing structures within the corridor and compatibility with adjoining residential neighborhoods. Parts of the plan relating to traffic and parking have not yet been fully implemented.

WARD	PARKS/RECREATION	SCHOOLS	COMMUNITY CENTERS	TRAILS	STREET END PARKS/PARKS	ANNEXATIONS
ONE						
	Hopkins Plaza Alax Haley Sitting Area Fleet Street Park Bates Athletic Fields City Dock Spa Creek Conservancy/Children's Museum Calvert St/Shaw St. Westgate Circle Newman Street	Annapolis Elementary Bates Middle School St. John's College St. Many's St. Annes Episcopal Sunny Acres Special School	MD Hall Annapolis Recreation Center Market House		Monticello Ave. Prince George St. Charles St. Amos Garrett Park Lafayette Park	





A Reflection of Commitment

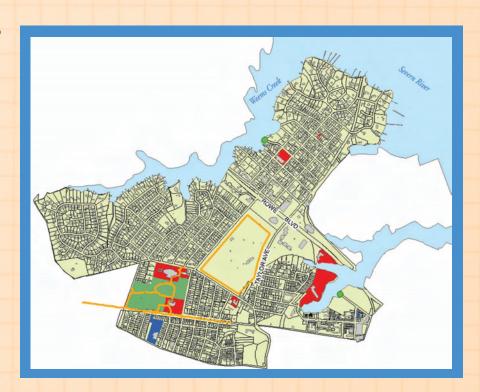
By Alderman Mike Christman

Nestled between the Severn River and West Street, and Weems Creek and the shores of College Creek lies Ward Two. It is the gateway to Annapolis. It is the home to schools, churches, the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium and the Annapolis Sports Complex. It is a wonderful blend of old and new Annapolis.

Ward Two is also known for its diversity, commitment and strength of involvement from its residents. The Clay Street Public Safety team is at the heart of the heritage rich and re-energized Clay Street community. The Germantown/ Homewood Civic Association has enthusiasm, closeness and family focus that reflects their community. Activism and effectiveness best describe the Admiral Heights Improvement Association as they have been at the forefront of many issues that affect our Ward and our City. The West Annapolis Civic Association as well has a long history of leadership on community and Citywide issues and yet maintains a close neighborhood focus. Maintaining the close neighborhood

feel as well is the Wardour Improvement Association who works in concert with their neighbors in hosting events and working hard to beautify our community. There are many other organizations and groups of engaged residents such as PTA's, business and church groups that further support all of the residents in our Ward.

The commitment, strength and character of our Ward make it a great place to live, shop and work. It is a community of leaders who have a great passion for our Ward and the City. I am honored and proud to represent such a positive and diverse community.



WARD	PARKS/RECREATION	SCHOOLS	COMMUNITY CENTERS	TRAILS	STREET END PARKS	ANNEXATIONS
wo						
	Annapolis Sports Complex College Creek Park Spa Creek Conservancy/Children's Museum	West Annapolis Elementary The Learning Community Germantown Elementary Phoenix Center Calvary Center Adams Park Academy Book of Life Academy	Stanton Center Annapolis Area Public Library	Poplar Park/Trail NAAA Trail	Tucker St. Boat Landing Northwest St.	

Ward Three

Rich in the Heritage of Community Building

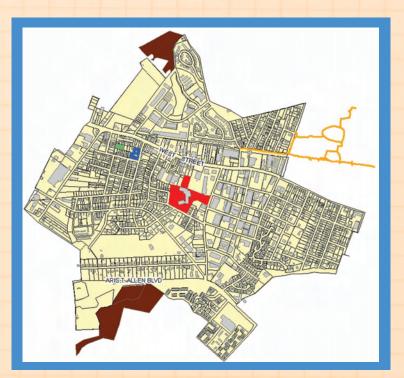
By Alderwoman Classie Hoyle

Ward Three is located in the Parole area of the City of Annapolis. This historic area, primarily an African-American community, is associated with the parole camps of the Civil War. Alderwoman Hoyle has for the last two years highlighted, through heritage markers, the key cultural milestones and events of the past 300 years which helped to shape the Parole community. The markers tell this unique story to visitors and those who call this neighborhood "home." The Parole Heritage tour, presenting 15 heritage markers when completed, honors the many African-Americans who lived in Parole. Starting with the individuals and families who came from far and wide to service Parole during the Civil War, to the farmers whose close proximity to the WB&A Railroad helped turn the Parole area into the tomato canning capital of Maryland, to the many men and women who worked at the United States Naval Academy, to the present day homeowners who have created a vibrant community rich in history and dedicated to preserving its special cultural identity...all are represented in these story telling signs. This project is being funded by a grant from the City of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County.



Ward Three is the first community in Anne Arundel county to have Moderately Priced Dwelling Units (MPDUs). An MPDU is a housing unit that has a sales price affordable to households with moderate incomes. The 325 luxury condominiums at 1901

West Street, on the corner of Chinquapin Round Road, will include 36 MPDUs.

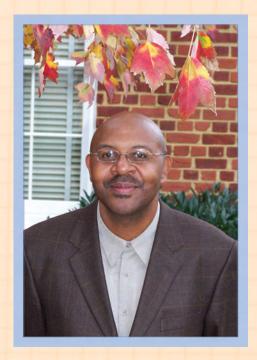


Ward Three has under construction a \$1.2 million Community Life Center located in Parole. This Center is associated with the Mount Olive AME Church and was funded by Greenberg Gibbons Commercial, the City of Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, Sigma Engineering, Mercedes Benz, Miller Metropolitan Chapel, and Alan Hyatt.

Ward Three has an After School Village Center where about 50 children from elementary to high school age receive academic support from teacher aides and computers. Sessions are held Monday through Thursday from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. with a heavy snack served.

WARD	PARKS/RECREATION	SCHOOLS	COMMUNITY CENTERS	TRAILS	STREET END PARKS	ANNEXATIONS
THREE						
	Chambers Park	Mills Parole Elementary	Mount Olive Church/Center	Poplar Park/Trail		Annapolis Business Plaza Bowen Property Arundel Land Development





"It's Our Time...For Diversity Brings Opportunity"

By Alderman Wayne Taylor

Ward Four is by all accounts the most diverse Ward in our great and wonderfully incomparable City. We are many and significantly varied in terms of our educational, socio-economic, ethnic and cultural statuses. In fact, there are 12 different communities in Ward Four which range from a small Housing Authority run community to one in which single family homes are worth hundreds of thousands of dollars.

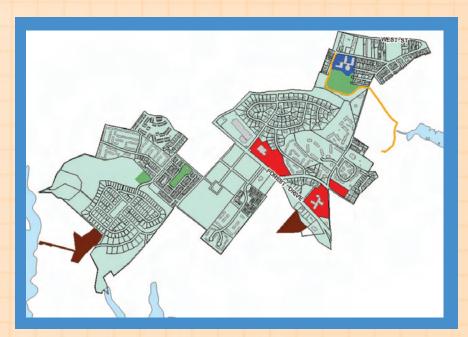
And while it is right and fair that we enjoy our "differentness," we must acknowledge and realize the opportunity that our diversity brings. That opportunity: the chance to bring our different ideas, cultures and resources together in an effort to create one Ward — one that respects and embraces differences, while building one community that allows each of its residents opportunities to grow and flourish in any of their endeavors.

It's been said, "There's a time and a season for all things." Consequently, we should not believe that this isn't our time. In fact, it can be argued that because we are where we are at this point in our community's growth processes, we are perfectly poised to create a Ward Four that we'll be proud to pass on to our children and even their children's children. But, there can be no question in terms of the work that we'll have to do right now.

It's time for us to create a Ward-wide community in which small business owners are proud to hire residents from near-by neighborhoods. It's time for us to work together to help those who, to date, have shown only minimal or no interest in our neighborhoods to experience a new sense of pride and responsibility in their communities. And perhaps most importantly, it's time for us to establish and nurture

relationships between the residents across the various communities. For instance, residents in the Bates community and those in Kingsport should rally around common interests and goals versus allowing themselves to be divided by de facto socio-geographic and economic lines.

Ultimately, we have an opportunity to create a Ward-wide community that is productive, caring and safe. And while that may appear to be an insurmountable task, it can be done if we close ranks, establish our goals and commit to working together to accomplish them.



WARD FOUR	PARKS/RECREATION	SCHOOLS	COMMUNITY CENTERS	TRAILS.	STREET END PARKS	ANNEXATIONS
FOUR	Annapolis Walk Recreation Center Old Bates Fields	St. Martin's Aleph Bet Jewish School Heritage Learning Center	Bates Senior Center	Spa Creek Hiker/Biker		Sigma Family Ltd. Partnership AIC Forest

Ward Five

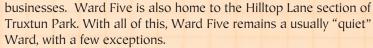
"Old" and "New" Annapolis **Facing Issues Together**

By Alderman David Cordle

Ward Five is located on either side of Forest Drive and encompasses a wide variety of homes, apartments and condominiums. We have a very diverse community within Ward Five, and it includes what I call "old Annapolis" - not in age, but in the longstanding communities located on the north side of Forest Drive. Then we have the "newer" Annapolis situated on the south side of Forest Drive.

In our diversity, we have a large Latino population, the Annapolis Middle School and the Knesseth Israel Congregation, as



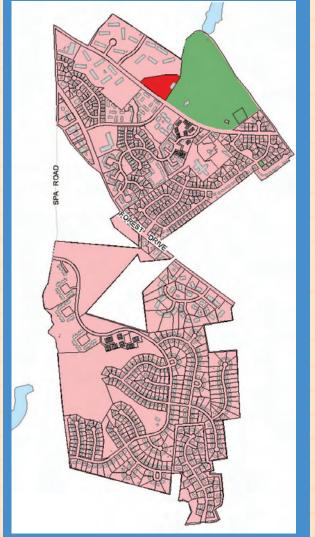


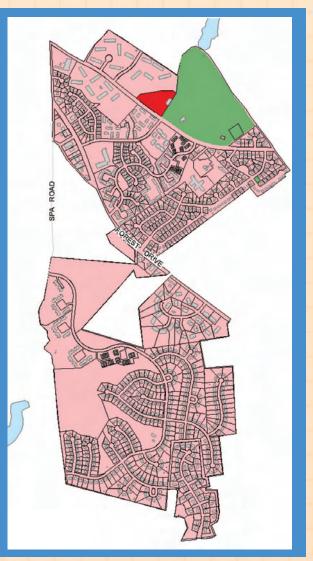
Issues that face our community seem to run Citywide: traffic – especially along the Forest Drive Corridor; speeding – everyone seems to be in a rush these days; quality of life crimes; and of course development. Ward Five is also a neighbor to two notable annexations, but when and if developed, will not become a part of Ward Five.

Ward Five contains a number of sensitive streams and headwaters of several creeks. Development runoff and storm water can impact these tributaries. Of particular interest to our residents will be the Adequacy of Public Facilities Ordinance, which I am sponsoring, and its impact on these issues. I would like to note that both of the previously mentioned annexations will fall under the purview of the Adequacy of Public Facilities Ordinance once adopted.

All of these issues will be monitored in working with my neighboring Aldermen and the first class City employees who serve our great town we love - Annapolis!

As always, I can be reached through e-mail: aldcordle@annapolis.gov or at home: 410.267.9600.





FIVE	PARKSIRECREATION	SCHOOLS	COMMUNITY CENTERS	TRAILS	STREET END PARKS	ANNEXATIONS
	Truxturi Park Griscom 1 Griscom 2	Salvation Army Daycare Center				



Ward Six

Spa Creek to Forest Drive: The Center of the City!

By Alderman Julie Stankivic

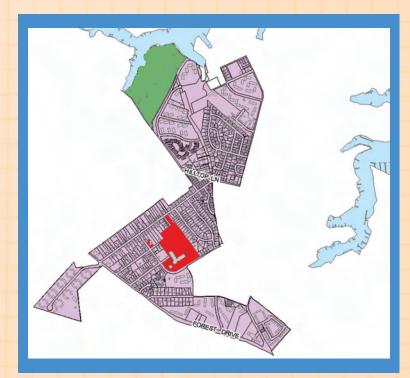
With one edge of the Ward located on Spa Creek and the other on Forest Drive, Ward Six is one of the most diverse Wards in the City of Annapolis. Amongst the largest number of public housing units located in the City, are quaint neighborhoods of single family homes surrounded by apartments and condominiums. Ward Six is truly a great place to live, adjacent to Truxtun Park and a walk away from historic Annapolis.

A working class neighborhood, the residents of Ward Six are concerned with similar issues faced by other Wards in the City, including crime. Three out of the five homicides that occurred in the City last year took place in Ward Six. Residents are weary of shootings and drug activity taking place in their back yard and are united in their resolve to be proactive in taking back their communities. As a result, there has been an increase in the number of residents participating in Neighborhood Watch and a strengthening of the ties amongst residents in the adjoining Wards.

With a wealth of talent in the Ward, the newly formed community association is sure to be successful in ensuring that Ward Six has a voice at City Hall when it comes to resolving issues involving growth and taxes. Growth has created major access and safety issues for the residents of Ward Six and the Annapolis Neck, as Forest Drive is the main artery into and out of the Ward.

Improvements to Forest Drive are considered vital as traffic congestion has exploded over the last several years due to new development. Residents are tired of spending too much time in their cars waiting to get home instead of spending quality time with their families. The impact of rising assessments is also of concern. One house in Ward Six was recently re-assessed for triple is prior assessed value. Property tax relief is not only needed, but expected.

The residents of Ward Six are eager to join with the residents of other Wards in the City, for together we will make a difference.



WARD	PARKS/RECREATION	SCHOOLS	COMMUNITY CENTERS	TRAILS	STREET END PARKS	ANNEXATIONS
SIX						
		Tyler Heights Elementary Annapolis Christian Academy				

City Information

Ward Seven

Just a Fine Place to Live!

By Alderman Sam Shropshire

We're a good group of people living here in Ward Seven. And we've seen our share of changes over the years as cow pastures and a local airport have turned into condominiums and single-family homes.

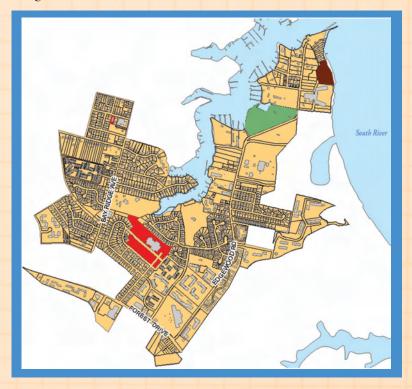
The north side of Ward Seven along Back Creek today is sated with marinas, yacht brokers and realtors, boat builders, marine service and repair companies, yacht charter companies, sailmakers and riggers, nautical technologists, environmental scientists...the maritime industry is all right here, and it's a growing affair. Over the past ten years as more and more companies have relocated or established themselves on the south banks of Back Creek, Ward Seven has become a bustling center for maritime commerce.



Alderman Sam Shropshire with "Shannon", daughter Jana and Fairwinds neighbors Anna Lewnes Hagner, Brenda Castle-Young and Delores Grauel.

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During the past five years several senior living developments have been built. **BayWoods of Annapolis**, **Annapolis Gardens** and **Bay Forest Senior Apartments** provide residences for nearly 650 senior citizens. All three communities offer fabulous amenities and services, including dine-in facilities, recreation and on-site health care centers as well as levels of assisted living to suit the individual needs of their residents.



The rest of us – the overwhelming majority of us – well, we are a proud, congenial population of men, women and children – singles and families. We live in condominiums, townhouses or single-family homes. We enjoy our pleasant quality of life with it's close proximity to the Chesapeake Bay and easy commute to Washington, DC, or Baltimore. (Yes, nearly forty percent of Ward Seven residents make that commute to the nation's capital or Baltimore on a daily basis, braving worsening traffic in both directions.)

The challenges of large annexations along Forest Drive alarm us and tend to threaten our relaxed way of life, so we Ward Seveners are vigilantly watching developers' plans and always looking to improve traffic patterns and public transportation without drastic changes to either nature or taxes. We are proud supporters and champions of smart growth and development and affordable housing, yet we would prefer somehow to have no future development at all – just to purchase that private land outright, and turn it into public parks or put it in trust for future generations to enjoy.

You'll find us usually at home, walking our dogs, or sometimes talking with neighbors and friends at Grump's Cafe. On occasion you'll see us launching our boats on Back Creek for a day on the Bay, or perhaps you'll run into us as we make that short 10-minute trek to the City Dock, Main Street or West Street for a bit of conversation, food and entertainment.

WARD SEVEN	PARKS/RECREATION	SCHOOLS	COMMUNITY CENTERS	TRAILS	STREET END PARKS	ANNEXATIONS
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	Back Creek Nature Park	Georgetown Elementary Van Buren St Baptist School				Bay Front Drive



Ward Eight

Taking Another Look at Lower Eastport

By Alderman Josh Cohen

Ward Eight is the part of Annapolis known as Lower Eastport. Historically, it was home to most of the town's watermen as well as many of its boatyards. Over the years, new families moved in and upscale restaurants, offices, and condominiums replaced many of the working boatyards. Despite the changes, Eastport is still known for its relaxed atmosphere and eclectic mix of old and new.

Along with the rest of Annapolis, development and parking have been hot topics in Eastport too. Eastport residents and businesses have been actively involved in shaping City policy to address these ongoing challenges.

Last year, the City Council adopted the first comprehensive revisions to Eastport's special zoning overlay. This overlay was enacted in 1990 to preserve Eastport's special architectural character and human scale. Despite its overall success, several concerns had emerged. For example, owners of large lots could build large mansions out of scale with Eastport's historic character.

After more than two years of public input and review, the Civic Association voted overwhelmingly to support a change to require a public hearing and Planning Commission approval for the largest homes. This change achieved a win-win for both property owners and the general public. It still allowed property owners to build large homes if designed appropriately. It also provided neighbors with an added safeguard to ensure that new construction would be in keeping with the neighborhood. The City Council adopted this change along with several others last Fall.

A new initiative will establish an Eastport Gateway ordinance to preserve the panoramic view of downtown when approaching Spa Creek from Sixth Street. Another will set stronger design standards for the Sixth Street "Gateway" into and out of Eastport. Additionally, we want to take a look at parking in Eastport; and examine Eastport's special maritime zones to ensure they are current with changes in the maritime industry.

Committees that include residential, business and maritime interests will guide all of these reviews. There will be substantial public input throughout. Any recommendations will then be reviewed by the Eastport Civic and Business Associations prior to any City Council action. This public involvement is essential to ensure that the final product will best enhance Eastport's special quality of life.



WARD	PARKS/RECREATION	SCHOOLS	COMMUNITY CENTERS	TRAILS	STREET END PARKS	ANNEXATIONS
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	U.S. Post Office Park Rev. Joseph Turner Park	Annapolis Maritime Museum Eastport Elementary School			Fifth Street End Park@Spa Creek First Street End Park@Spa Creek Leon Wolfe Park (Fourth Street@Spa Creek) Sixth Street End Park@Back Creek Davis Park(Chester@Back Creek) Dick Sims Park (Second Street@Back Creek) Hom Point Park(Chesapeake Ave@Severn River) Severn Avenue Street End Park@Spa Creek Burnside Street End Park@Spa Creek Third Street End Park@Spa Creek	

City Information

CITY COUNCIL INFORMATION

The Annapolis City Council consists of the Mayor and eight Aldermen/Alderwomen, one for each City Ward. All City Council members are elected to four-year terms. The City Council generally meets twice a month in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, Second Floor, 160 Duke of Gloucester Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.



For more information about the City Council and the legislative process, visit:

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Guidelines to Preserve and Enhance the City's Historic Urban Form

The new "must have" Historic District design manual, Design Guidelines Chapter III: Designing for the Historic District is available at the Planning and Zoning Department, 159 Duke of Gloucester, from Donna Hole, Chief of Historic Preservation. Every property owner in the historic district will be able to clearly determine how to proceed with repairs, replacement-in-kind, restoration or new construction. This will be a valuable tool for those who are stewards of the rich legacy of our built environment. Call 410.263.7941 for more information, or check the web at www.annapolis.gov/citizens/boards/hist_pres/historic.





First MPDU's Coming to Market: Affordable Housing Options for Annapolis Residents

The City of Annapolis wants to ensure that housing options continue to be available to its low and moderate income residents and employees. Here is some basic information about this new opportunity:

WHAT IS AN MPDU?

An MPDU is a housing unit that has a sales price affordable to households with moderate incomes.

What do you mean by moderately priced housing? Is this low income housing?

No. We define moderately priced housing as housing affordable to persons or households making approximately 80 percent or less of the Baltimore area median income (for example, \$57,750 for a family of four). Realistically, to afford a home under this program, a household must earn at least \$35,000 or above in a year to qualify to purchase an MPDU. *Who qualifies?*

Any person or household who meets the minimum program requirements may apply for the MPDU program. **You must be income eligible** and have the necessary income to make mortgage payments. Also, you must be a City resident, or an employee of the City of Annapolis beyond your probationary period, or be a full-time teacher in an elementary, middle or high school within the City limits. In addition, you must not currently own a home; you must have a good credit history; and you must complete homebuyer's classes.

What are the maximum income limits?

The maximum income limits for the City of Annapolis MPDU Program are:

Household size	Maximum Income*
1	\$40,450
2	\$46,200
3	\$52,000
4	\$57,750
5	\$62,400
6	\$67,000

^{*} Gross annual income from all current sources for all wage earners in the household.

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RESIDENTIAL PARKING INFORMATION

Submit an application form, supporting documentation and the appropriate fees to Room 103, City Hall at 160 Duke of Gloucester Street. Make checks payable to "City of Annapolis". *Be prepared to show:*

- 1. Current Maryland Driver's License reflecting your address in the Residential Parking District you live in.
- 2. Current Maryland Vehicle Registration reflecting your address in the Residential Parking district you live in.
- 3. Rental Lease, Property Deed or similar proof of residence of over 100 days duration in the City.

All documents may be submitted by mail:

Finance Department, Parking Division City of Annapolis 160 Duke of Gloucester Street Annapolis, MD 21401

Forms may be downloaded at www.annapolis.gov/government/forms/parking-permit.pdf.



Free Parking for City Residents

City of Annapolis residents can receive two hours of free parking in Gott's, Hillman or Knighton Garages. Just present your driver's

license showing a City home address at any of the three garage offices to receive a windshield sticker that will identify your vehicle for this privilege.

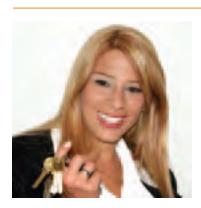
Good Answers to the Perennial Question: "Where can I park?

Your Parking Committee is moving ahead to find a variety of solutions to this perennial problem. So far they have:

- Created 20 new spaces by improving curb markings on King George, Prince George and East Streets
- Opened up scooter spaces at Market Square, City Dock and Hillman Garage
- Worked with Annapolis Police Department to increase evening enforcement in historic district residential neighborhoods adjacent to Main Street and City Dock areas
- Implemented the Taxi Subsidy program
- Increased the number of daily spaces available for visitors in Hillman Garage
- Implemented 2 hour free parking for all City of Annapolis residents in City Garages
- Implemented new state-of-the-art parking tracking software in Hillman and Gotts Court Garages to monitor real time parking situations
- Eliminated Parking District changes from MX zoning legislation
- Generated \$700,000 from garage price increases; and \$400,000 from parking meter increases.

Currently underway are projects that implement:

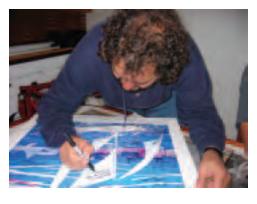
- New Automated Parking Enforcement technology
- New tamper-proof hanging tags for visitors





ast summer, Annapolis' own **Schooner Woodwind II** was launched into stardom by portraying Christopher Walken's private sailing yacht in the movie, "Wedding Crashers". The movie was filmed mainly on the Eastern Shore in Cambridge, Oxford, and the Wye River, however, since the director left the name of the 74-foot schooner, "Woodwind II" people are coming to Annapolis to sail on the boat. "People are finding out that they can actually sail on the boat, just like Owen Wilson, Vince Vaughn, Rachael McAdams and the rest of the cast. They love seeing the behind the scene photo albums that we share while





aboard. And everyone loves the poster that the entire cast signed which is hanging prominently aboard both

Woodwind and Woodwind II," says Captain Jennifer Brest, who was the captain throughout the filming in May and June of 2004. She was actually lying down steering the boat, while Christopher Walken was filmed steering the boat. April through October, you too, can sail aboard the "Woodwinds". The DVD was released January 3, 2006, and it airs on cable movie channels in the beginning of the summer.

Photos by New Line Cinema

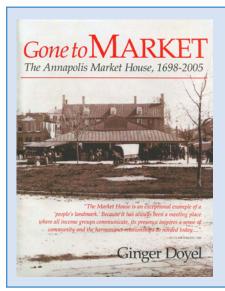


Eastport Home & Garden Tour

This summer, Eastport will welcome visitors to a **Home and Garden Tour**. This first ever Eastport event is being organized by the Eastport Civic Association and will be held on Sunday, June 25. Organizers expect to have eight to ten homes and/or gardens on the tour showcasing the diversity and uniqueness of the Eastport neighborhoods.

The **Home and Garden Tour** is expected to become an annual event with proceeds from tickets sales going to worthy causes in Eastport.

This spring look for information on the Eastport Civic Association web site: http://www.eastportcivic.org or for posters placed around town for ticket information.



Gone to Market

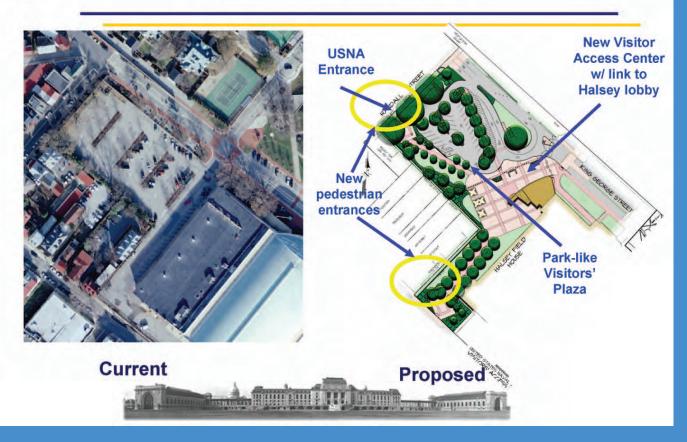
Published by the City of Annapolis, Ginger Doyel's new book is available through local booksellers and from the Annapolis Publishing Company at 410.280.1414 or www.annapolis books.com.



Carl "Dip" Carter, Mayor Moyer and Michael Simms, Jr. got a head start on spring this past November when they planted hundreds of daffodils around the Hillman Garage. Look for bright yellow faces of sunshine in a month or so!



Gate 1 Renovation



NAVAL ACADEMY ANNOUNCES RECONFIGURATION OF GATE 1

rom Jan. 3 until mid-May 2006, Gate 1 will undergo reconfiguration to include construction of a new visitors' access center. The construction project will include relocating the guard house, adding a vehicular drop-off and inspection area and installing retractable bollards. This project will enhance Naval Academy security and the process by which visitors gain access to Academy grounds. The end result will be a pedestrian plaza area which will improve safety and will present a welcoming area for visitors to the Naval Academy. It will also relieve traffic congestion at the intersection of King George and Randall Streets by providing a new public drop off area inside Gate 1.

During the project, Gate 1 may be closed to vehicular traffic for different periods of time due to construction schedules. When scheduled closures are known, the Naval Academy will announce the times and dates. Gates 3 and 8 will be primary vehicular access points during these periods. Parking in the Gate 1 lot adjacent to Halsey Field House will be unavailable for the duration of the construction project due to equipment and material lay down requirements.

Tuckman-Barbee Construction Company of Upper Marlboro has been awarded the \$3.8 million construction contract on the Gate 1 project. (Information and schematic courtesy of the USNA Public Relations Office)



Sixteen skipjacks will float into public spaces throughout Anne Arundel county this spring all decked out and decorated by students in our 12 high schools and 4 special education centers. Schools have had all winter and early spring to complete their designs. In April, the sculptures will be moved to their display locations throughout the county for 6-8 weeks. After this, they will be auctioned online with the proceeds going to support art initiatives. Come down and see the Annapolis school's skipjacks!

What weighs 100 pounds, stands 4.5 ft. high, is 3.5 ft. wide and 2 feet deep? It's Maryland's "Fear the Turtle" sculpture, and they have already started their journey from white fiberglass into one-of-a-kind works of art. There are a total of 50 sculptures, two of which will be on display here in Annapolis at Lawyers Mall and the Miller Senate Office Building through October.

Last fall, the University of Maryland invited artists to offer their ideas about how to transform a cast resin terrapin into a one-of-a-kind "Fear the Turtle" sculpture that will become a centerpiece of the University's 150th Anniversary celebration.



Steven Weitzman, whose studio designed the statue, shows off the pride of turtles awaiting artist adoption.

Photo courtesy of University of Maryland.

The sculpture is possibly the most visible – and whimsical – way for Maryland to celebrate the year-long event that concludes this spring. Ultimately, all 50 statues will show themselves off on campus, as well as in communities throughout the region until October, when the sculptures will be auctioned off at a gala university event. All proceeds go to student scholarships.

Anne St. Clair Wright History Center Opens Its Doors

Construction at 99 Main Street, home of Historic Foundation's History Quest at the St. Clair Wright Center has just wrapped up. The building has been under rehabilitation for 12 months and the result is a wonderful 18th century building with up-to-date heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems, reinforced beams to carry more weight, all new electrical wiring and plumbing, a sprinkler system for fire suppression, new security and fire detection systems, as well as a new elevator to take every visitor to all three levels of the facility.

Historic Annapolis Foundation's content team is working with exhibition designers and fabricators to finalize the exhibit panels as well as with other artists on movie scripts and images, audio tour recordings and accompanying maps. The illustration below, "Civil War: A City Divided," is one of the exhibit panels.

Open to the public in late April, History Quest will orient visitors and equip them with the tools they need to understand and explore "Annapolis, the Museum Without Walls."



City Life

Five 2005 July 4 Parade entries were honored with special awards for their creativity. Winners were selected by a team of Girl Scouts Maiya Sweeney and Casey Kohler, and Carson and Olivia Ridenhour.





- Best Animals went to the Crabtowne Canines
- Best Float was awarded to The Praise Dancers of Mt. Moriah Church
- Best Wheels to Richard Kibbe's 1931 Model A Deluxe Ford Roadster
- Most Patriotic to Eastport Loves its Independence, and
- **Most Fanciful** to Troope Hip-no-tique.

Join in the very special July 4th City Celebration Parade! We will again have prizes for entrants in a variety of categories...contact Recreation & Parks at 410.263.7958 for a parade entry form.





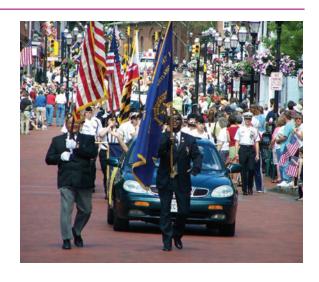


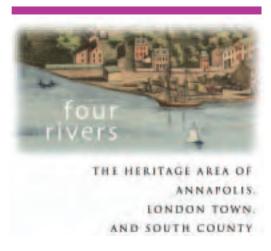
Photos by Carson Ridenhour

The **2006 Annapolis Memorial Day Parade** will roll down West and Main Streets to City Dock once again this May 29th. The parade will begin at 10:00 a.m., rain or shine, followed by a land based ceremony at the City Dock and a Fleet Reserve ceremony on the Chesapeake Bay aboard a YP from US Naval Station Annapolis at the conclusion of the activities.

Volunteers from Chapter 712 of the Vietnam Veterans of America Inc. have worked over the years with the American Legion Post 141 and the Annapolis Chapter of the Jewish War Veterans to plan, support, and execute the Memorial Day Parade. This year they are pleased to partner with the Annapolis Branch 24 of the Fleet Reserve Association and the Optimist Club of Annapolis. Long-time sponsor, the City of Annapolis, will continue its logistical support.

The organizers welcome additional military related units to participate in this commemoration of past veterans. If your group wishes to participate, please contact the parade committee by email at: parade@vva712.org.





Four Rivers: The Heritage Area of Annapolis, London Town & South County stretches from Sandy Point State Park at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge through southern Anne Arundel County to Rose Haven at the Calvert County line. Framed by the Chesapeake Bay to the east, the heritage area's western boundary is Route 2/Solomons Island Road. Please call the heritage area office, 410.222.1805 with any questions, or visit our website at www.fourriversheritage.org.

Four Rivers Heritage Area Tuition Assistance Program

Four Rivers: The Heritage Area of Annapolis, London Town & South County is pleased to offer tuition assistance to heritage area residents and heritage organization volunteers to attend the Goucher College Historic Preservation Certificate Program Courses and Workshops in Annapolis. Heritage area residents and heritage organization volunteers may be eligible for tuition assistance grants of \$25 – \$50 for workshops, and up to \$75 for courses.

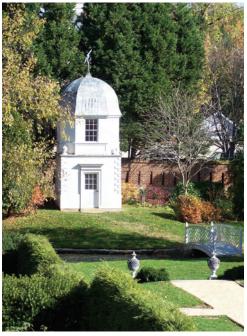


Susan Langley

Regional Architecture: Tidewater Maryland before 1865 Tuesdays, March 7 – April 18, 2006

Workshop III: Maritime Archaeology
Dr. Susan Langley invites you to explore Maritime Archaeology.
Saturday, April 22, 2006

An application for these workshops may be obtained from: Goucher College Historic Preservation Certificate Program Welch Center for Graduate and Professional Studies 1021 Dulaney Valley Road, Towson, MD 21204-2794 Phone 410.337.6200; Fax 410.337.6085; E-mail: center@goucher.edu





Maryland's Annual Preservation & Revitalization Conference Comes to Annapolis

The City of Annapolis welcomes the 2006 Preservation & Revitalization Conference on May 18 and 19. This event will bring together preservation advocates, architects, developers, museum and tourism officials, and representatives of community groups and local organizations from across Maryland. All will find resources to help preserve and restore their historic sites, as well as to participate in thought-provoking discussions on special projects and initiatives throughout the state.

A rich array of tours and events supplement the educational sessions, many showcasing the City's leadership in preservation and heritage programs. The Maryland Historical Trust Awards will offer testament to the value of historic preservation in creating distinctive, successful, livable communities throughout Maryland.

For more information about the conference, please contact Kristen Harbeson, Education and Outreach Director at Preservation Maryland: 410.685.2886, ext. 302

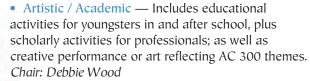
Preserving tobacco barns and "Saving Vanishing Lifeways" will be discussed at the Preservation Maryland Conference in May. The Underground Railroad, McMansionization, New Perspectives on Paint Colors, Effective Neighborhood Advocacy and New Construction in Historic Districts are among 36 sessions, workshops and tours included in this two day meeting.



You are invited! April 26 & July 26 • City Hall • 7 - 9 PM

This is an invitation to all Annapolitans to get together with your neighbors, colleagues and civic, service, faith-based and non-profit organizations to create activities that will reflect who we are today as a community of the whole. All over Annapolis groups are gearing up for a full year of Citywide events to mark 2008 – the 300th Anniversary of Royal Governor John Seymour's signing of the Charter of Annapolis. The 1708 charter marks designation of Annapolis as a "city", giving us the first locally elected representative government in the Colony, and the beginning of the struggle for freedom and voting rights.

Talk with your friends and co-workers...there are activities for individuals and organizations of all types to explore. The strength of this celebration will lie in you, the doers and movers, and your work to implement components of AC300.

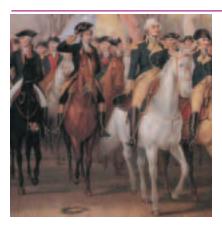


- Celebratory Celebration of historic dates and festive events like super parades, community gatherings, Queen Anne's Birthday Ball, regattas, exhibitions on neighborhoods. Chairs: Mike Fox and Linda Blue
- **Commemorative** Recognition of the City's development through permanent public works,

monuments, public art, signage. Chair: Hollis Minor

• **Ceremonial** — Formal public ceremonies that recognize key events throughout 1708-2008. *Chair: Debbie Rosen McKerrow*

Let us know how you want to be involved and visit our website at www.AnnapolisCharter300.org. You can contact the AC300 committee at AC300@annapolis.gov.



AN ANNAPOLIS CHARTER 300 MOMENT...

In December 1783 a victorious General George Washington made his progress home to Mount Vernon. His most significant stop was on December 22 & 23 in Annapolis. The Congress, meeting in Annapolis, held a dinner and

festivities to honor the General. He came not as a conquering hero, but as a humble citizen soldier to resign his commission. After walking up Cornhill Street and buying a pair of gloves for his beloved Martha at the Brewer Tavern, he stated; "I here offer my Commission, and take my leave of the enjoyments of public life."

This was a courageous and unprecedented act. Never before had a military conqueror, at the peak of his power and glory, voluntarily surrendered all his status back to a legally constituted and democratic authority. This cemented Washington's greatness for the ages and ensured that a tradition of civilian control of the military was established in our young nation. (*Charles Weikel*)



This Commission calls for two types of public art that reflect Annapolis Charter 300 themes of the struggles for independence, personal freedom and voting rights for all citizens.

Call One requests proposals for original art, in all forms of media, for primarily exterior locations in the City of Annapolis. Projects could include but are not limited to sculpture, mural, monument, fresco, relief, fountain, mosaic, ceramic, fiber work, painting, metal, stone, or glass.

Call Two requests the creation of original performance art which may be publicly performed during 2008. Proposals can include but are not limited to theatre, dance, music, film, writing, video, voice and other visual art public performance media.

For details, deadlines, and an application, please check our website, www.annapolis.gov/art.

Spot the Mural...



Can you find the Annapolis Charter 300 mural? As you drive throughout the City over the next few years, keep your eyes open for this gorgeous charter mural depicting the first reading of the Annapolis charter in 1708. The actual painting hangs in the City Council Chamber, and was created by Lee Boynton in 1995. The mural will be rotated throughout all eight Wards over the next two years. At 35 ft. long by 15 ft. high, this art piece takes a **very** large space in which to hang...if you have ideas for host sites for these Ward visits, please contact **AC300@annapolis.gov**.

Environmental Lawn Care: We Can Be Part of the Solution!

The Chesapeake Bay Foundation has given the Chesapeake Bay a "D" – scoring 28 out of 100 – in its most recent annual rating of the Bay's quality. Of the Bay's many problems, the most significant is an overabundance of **nitrogen** which causes fantastic growth of microscopic plant life. When these plants die in large numbers, the water's oxygen content is

severely depleted by the bacteria that decompose the dead plants. Oxygen depleted water does not support any marine life, and these "dead zones", which peak in the summer, are growing larger.

As residents of an urban area, we could wait for federal and state governments to ante up the billions of dollars it will take to upgrade treatment plants and somehow get control of farm runoff, but in fact we are part of the problem.

Your lawn constitutes a very, very small fraction of the land area in

the Chesapeake Bay watershed, but all of our lawns together actually comprise a significant percentage of the watershed. Consider what you put on your lawn. If you use fertilizer, which is rich in nitrogen, **you** are contributing to the Bay's pollution.

• Consider not fertilizing your lawn and see how it looks for a season. As an alternative, you can grasscyle – leaving

clippings behind when you mow – and allow all of the nutrients in the cut grass to be recycled back into your lawn.

Adjust your mower's cutting height to cut the grass higher.
 Taller grass develops deeper, healthier roots which will resist drought and heat, and will prevent most broadleaf weed seeds from germinating. And sharpen your lawn mower blade! Sharp

blades provide a clean cut which will heal quickly while dull blades tear grass, opening up vascular tissue to disease organisms.

• If you must fertilize, do it in the fall when it is most beneficial to your lawn and least harmful to the Chesapeake Bay. The spring fertilization will make the grass leggy and weak, and susceptible to drought and heat stress, and even turf disease. It also stimulates weed growth, thus requiring more frequent mowing.

Everyone talks about the health of

the Chesapeake Bay, and each of us can actually do something about it by changing the way we manage our lawns. We can all be part of the solution, not part of the problem.

For more information, go to the EPA's web page on environmentally beneficial lawn care: www.epa.gov/seahome/lawns.



GreenScape 2006...Fifteen Years and Growing!

The Annapolis Recreation and Parks Department will spearhead GreenScape 2006 on April 22 this year. This is the 15th year of this annual program of beautification, clean-up and planting in public spaces throughout the City of Annapolis.

GreenScape is a volunteer effort, sponsored by the City of Annapolis through many of its Departments, which encourages and supports individuals and organizations to plant and maintain native gardens in public areas throughout the City. The City provides plant materials, mulch, trash bags and gloves;

and the community provides

volunteers who want to make a difference in their community.

Anyone wishing to learn more about GreenScape 2006, should contact the Annapolis Recreation and Parks at 410. 263.7958 or view the City's web site at: www.annapolis.gov.







Some Insights into Harbor Operations

♦ PERSONNEL

Every spring, our office "ramps up" with a new crop of employees and volunteers. As the season opens, we are occupied with training our newest assistants, and refreshing those who are returning to the office from the previous year. In many cases, we are dealing with young people who have never had a job before, and it is up to us to see that they are prepared to put forth their best foot on behalf of the City. In other cases, we are dealing with retirees, some of whom were company owners, military officers as high as O-6 or above, or departmental supervisors in major corporations. Most have been boaters to some degree, though many have very little recent customer service experience. This is a pretty diverse group of people. The challenge for our office is to understand how best to build each person into the team. In most cases, we are able to do this very effectively,

but there are no guarantees and both employees and customers are full of surprises!

By early August, the people we hired in the spring are knowledgeable veterans, and in our supervisory capacity, we shift from training earnest new employees, to reminding more seasoned, but by now sometimes overconfident and accident-prone ones, that the season is not over yet, and that they have to keep their guard up and keep trying hard so that they won't make silly mistakes like marring customers' topsides while coming alongside to collect, failing to ask a question they should have asked, or offending customers or coworkers needlessly with a casual remark they should have known better than to make.

♦ WEATHER

As we all know, the weather around the Chesapeake Bay during summer has the capacity to become downright ugly. But in keeping with the old axiom that "in order to be a racing sailor you have to be the kind of person who likes to stand in a cold shower and tear up \$1,000 bills," we, and our boating friends, view weather somewhat differently than all but the most die-hard landsmen.

By mid August, we start to be concerned about the weather patterns in a big way. Our concern is not solely for hurricanes, as August brings heat waves and thunderstorms as well. But ever since our visit by Isabel, we have a certain special, visceral fear that one of her cousins will come to visit us.



The hurricane season peaks from about September 1-20. By mid-September, if we do not have one of these unwelcome visitors at our doorstep, we have begun to breathe easier, but we can never be sure that we are completely out of the woods until around November 1st.

I have been an Annapolitan since 1981, Harbormaster since 1988, and I have seen a decided shift in the psychology of what I'll call "hurricane awareness." From the late 80's through the 90's, people never really believed we would be hit by a hurricane. In the late 80's, we used paper plotting maps to track hurricanes, because there was no internet weather plotting to speak of. So everything was bit slower and less accurate. By the time that we got the internet and really good tropical storm forecasts on the weather channel, it had been over 50 years since we had been hit by a hurricane with any real force they seemed to turn away from the Chesapeake Bay. This led to a lot of

apathy on the part of boaters and residents. But Isabel changed all that – and Katrina REALLY changed it – now, we start getting concerned calls after those two major storms, we start getting calls about even relatively anemic hurricanes that aren't anywhere near hitting us. So instead of feeling frustrated because we can't get anyone to listen about impending disasters, we often feel the need to act as a calming influence.

- Ric Dahlgren, Harbormaster

Admiral of the Chesapeake: Gary Jobson

Annapolis's own Gary Jobson was recently named "Admiral of the Chesapeake" by Governor Robert Erhlich for his long-standing interest and actions on behalf of the Chesapeake Bay. With the Volvo Round-the-World Race in town for May 4-7, it is especially fitting that Jobson was named to this honor.



Volvo Round the World Race Comes to Town

This year, the Annapolis Harbormaster's office will play an important part in hosting and restarting the Volvo Ocean Race. I am going to devote this article to honoring some of the sailors who pioneered long-distance challenges in small boats (there were many, I can only mention a few of my personal favorites) and helped to make it feasible for ten people to sail a 70 foot, hi-tech boat through dangerous waters at incredible speeds.

For anyone who is not aware of what the Volvo Ocean Race is, it is a "round-the-world-yacht" race. But this is not just an endeavor which was formulated for the elegant and the super rich, though it takes millions to participate in it; to any sailor who has sailed out of sight of land on a rough day, it is MUCH more; it is the summit of a highly evolved form of technological revolution, and of disciplines which

VOLVO OCEAN RACE
ROUND THE WORLD

require the most extreme development of the human will to persist against overwhelming odds, tough competitors, and one's own fears. Despite the incredible and expensive technologies which are now utilized, the ocean – especially the route used for this race – remains daunting and demanding and will be so forever. It is truly an honor for our community to play so pivotal a part in this event.

The history of sailing small boats around the world is a relatively recent history. To do so in any boat, at any speed, is a major challenge. While it had been done in the 1800's by such notables as Captain Joshua Slocum, his was a relatively sedate voyage with frequent stops, and long stays in port, where he had time to recover from the rigors of seafaring.

The real trailblazers for fast nonstop sailing in small boats

over great distances did not arrive on the scene until the mid 1900's. The probable reason for this is that while sailing is an ancient method of transportation, it is an extremely strenuous and stressful activity when done in a small boat with a small crew, and the technology to do it with any degree of safety was not available until the advent of new materials and techniques, which really did not occur until after WW II.

The first person to sail a vessel <u>nonstop</u> around the world <u>singlehanded</u> was British Merchant Marine Captain Robin Knox-Johnson, on the 32 foot teak double-ender *Souhaili*. He achieved this in 1969, winning the £10,000 Golden Globe Award offered by the *Sunday Times* to the first person to accomplish the feat. He did it the old-fashioned way,

Volvo Race, continued on Page 38.

Volvo Ocean Race at the Maryland Maritime Festival Festival Festival Festival

■ City Dock

Welcoming Ceremony
Fleet Docks
Volvo Truck Trailer
Volvo Jumbotron
Volvo Buses
Display of Volvo Products
Ericsson Display

■ Festival Stage

Chesapeake Children's Pavilion
Gary Jobson Cup Interscholastic Regatta
Dragon Boat Races
NOAA
Visiting Ships
Skippers Forum with Gary Jobson
VOR Gear * MUSTO
Recreation Building
Media Center



Mayor Ellen Moyer and Buck Buchanan, President of the Annapolis Maritime Museum, both flanking museum Founder Peg Wallace, sign the lease documents that transfer McNasby's Building, 2nd Street in Eastport, to the stewardship of the museum for refurbishement after the devistation of Hurricane Isabel. Standing from left is Jeff Holland, Executive Director, and Trustees Kevin Brooks, Eric Rubin, Alderman Josh Cohen, Dick Franyo and Dick D'Amato.

Maritime Activities





May 4-7 2006 Annapolis, Maryland

The Maryland Maritime Heritage Festival is very proud to be one of the hosts for the **Volvo Ocean Race** at its Baltimore/Annapolis stopover. This year will mark the 3rd time that the around-the-world sail boat race has visited Annapolis. The boats are bigger and faster than ever and will be exciting to see.

Now celebrating its 5th official year, the Maryland Maritime Heritage Festival, May 4-May 7, 2006 at City Dock, showcases Annapolis' long history in a host of maritime activities, from business to the arts to recreation. It is this day-to-day relationship with the water that through the years has created the vibrant maritime community that Annapolis and Eastport are today.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 4	Parade of Sail to Annapolis
May 4	Annapolis Welcome
May 4	Maryland Maritime Heritage Festival begins
May 5	Annapolis salutes Volvo Ocean Race party
Мау б	Skippers Forum with Gary Jobson
May 7	Bay Bridge Walk
May 7	Blessing of the Fleet
May 7	Race Restart
May 7	Maryland Maritime Heritage Festival ends

For more information please contact MMHF Executive Director Brendan Curley at 847.736.4513 or email **Brendan@mdmhf.org**.

Volvo Race, continued from Page 37.

30,123 nonstop miles in 313 days on sheer guts, in an absolutely epic example of true grit and British persistence at sea. In winning the Golden Globe, he started third in a series of 6 contenders, and steadily gained ground to beat out 5 other boats, some of which were much better equipped and funded.

In the same time frame, Sir Francis Chichester, who had already pioneered new aerial navigational systems in the 30's when flying around the world in a DeHavilland Gypsy Moth, became a pioneer in the use of racing techniques and equipment for fast trans-ocean sailing voyages in his series of boats with the Gypsy Moth name. Up until this time, long "cruises" were accomplished in relatively heavy boats, which were not usually very fast. But Sir Francis used modern, relatively light vessels, and, in his widely published books, proved to the world that with modern equipment and techniques, that even an aging, nearsighted, lone sailor recovering from lung cancer could "crack on" and make fast, efficient voyages under sail. Both Chichester and Knox-Johnson sailed in the "southern ocean," the extremely rough portion of the world's oceans which girdle the globe between Antarctica and the southern tips of South America and Africa. A third British giant in round-the-world sailing was Sir Chay Blyth, who was the first person to sail singlehanded nonstop around the world the wrong way, (against wind, current, and waves), in 1971, in his 59 foot steel vessel British Steel. No one had ever attempted this before, and it was considered impossible. In 1966, while in the army as a paratrooper, Sir Chay, who was the British Army's youngest ever platoon sergeant, had rowed a 20 foot dory across the Atlantic with Captain John Ridgeway. Later, Sir Chay participated in many other very demanding voyages, and founded Challenge Business, along with other "Challenge" themed events. In 1973/1974, Sir Chay won the round-theworld Whitbread Race, which was the predecessor of the Volvo Ocean Race.

It was these giants of sailing, and many others, who forged the EXTREMELY challenging cutting-edge endeavor we know today as the Volvo Ocean Race. The crews and boats we will host this spring bring to us the cutting edge of planetary awareness; they, and equipment they sail on, are the summit of technological development, competitiveness, and the discipline of racing. To them, and their predecessors in the past who conquered the world's oceans at such great risk and in so brave a fashion: We welcome you! And, we honor you!

- Ric Dahlgren, Harbormaster

Communicating with the Police Department

pen lines of communications between the public and the Police Department are vital to the mission of the Department. In order to serve the citizenry, we must first know what the public wants. The Annapolis Police Department is committed to maintaining the easiest, most efficient means of communications possible.

911: Emergencies Only!

This call is the very most basic citizen-police form of communication, and is a universal number to use when police or other emergency response is needed. Dial 911 from any phone to activate the emergency response required. While we are always receptive to suggestions, criticisms, complaints, and praise, 911 is not a proper venue for such non-emergency conditions.

410.268.4141: Direct Connection with a Dispatcher

This is an excellent number to know when you wish to report not necessarily an emergency, but something that may need a police response. The Police Department depends upon citizens to report on-going problems, and information regarding potential crime situations developing or solutions to crimes that have already occurred.

410.268.9000: Connect with a Live Responder

410.268.9000 is our general administrative number, which is still answered by a real live person who will direct you to the person or unit that can best help you.

If You Prefer Writing

Correspondence can be directed to Annapolis Police, 199 North Taylor Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland, 21401.

Up-to-the-Minute Reports via the Web

We provide a daily synopsis of police activity and crime information on our WEBSITE and by e-mail. Over 1,000 citizens receive the police report via e-mail subscription. Besides the daily report, special editions are issued for up-to-the-minute events such as crimes that have just occurred, traffic alerts and other conditions that we feel the public should need to know about right away.

The Web has opened up a whole new method of communication. You can contact us by e-mail if for any reason you would rather use that medium instead of the telephone. This method, of course, should not be used for anything requiring prompt attention, but people have told us they find it a very comfortable, efficient way to inform of us of such things as crime tips and conditions that may need our attention, again, of a non-emergency nature. Many citizen inquiries are

Diann Turner, President of the Annapolis Optimist Club presented Patti DiMiceli a Certificate of Appreciation for her "At The Ready" Emergency Preparedness Kit Building presentation made to Optimist Club members at a recent club meeting. Mrs. DiMiceli is a volunteer member of the Office of Emergency Management.



A brand new communications center gives the City of Annapolis state of the art technology.

answered in this way as well. Some people want to know what the police were doing at a particular incident they may have observed, or have a question about policy or procedure. Every serious e-mail is answered as promptly as possible. Even some of the not so serious ones are answered.

E-mail may be sent to either:

apdcommunityservices@annapolis.gov or to **hdalton@annapolis.gov**. If you wish to subscribe to the daily police report, you may send a request to be included to the above e-mail address as well.

Face-to-Face: Feel Free!

Let's not forget the most basic form of citizen police contact of all: face-to-face. If you ever have a concern, feel free to approach any of our officers as you see them on patrol, they will be more than happy to assist you in any way that they can.



Public Works News



Ward off those pesky, flitting mosquitoes... before the season starts!

Our water-rich environment provides the City of Annapolis with a challenge. A magic wand? There is no magic solution to this challenge. We must work together as a community, diligently, throughout the breeding season.

CITY OF ANNAPOLIS MOSQUITO CONTROL SERVICES

The City of Annapolis offers two control options of Mosquito Control Services with the cooperation of the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA).

- Larvae Control provides briquettes in ponding waters to eliminate the mosquito larvae. This is done on a case-bycase request. City staff will respond to your request for this service.
- Adult Mosquito Control is more commonly known as "spraying." Applications for Adult Mosquito Control, along with the Exemption (requests NOT to be sprayed) request forms, should reach the City of Annapolis *no later than April 26, 2005*. Contact City Engineer, Harry Sandrouni, at 410.263.7949 or hhs@annapolis.gov.

Three ways to reduce your personal risk of mosquito bites:

- 1). *Eliminate* any and all *stagnant water* on your property or community property and the mosquito eggs will not be able to grow. Killing the adult mosquito will eliminate the next generation. Property inspection must be done on a daily basis, particularly after rain.
- 2). Mosquitoes fly. If you *keep the air circulating* well and moving around you, they will have difficulty alighting on you.
- Protect yourself by being inside with proper window and door protections; or, if you must be outside, wear proper repellent and clothing and use mosquito netting to reduce your risk.

Please, we need your help. Give us a call! The Department of Public Works will schedule a City official to come and speak to your community or group. Also report large, unmanageable pools of stagnant water. Our telephone number is 410.263.7949.

If you have concerns with individual private-property conditions, please contact the Housing Inspections Group at 410.263.7946.

More information about Mosquito Control may be obtained at www.annapolis.gov Jump word: MOSQUITO.

If ditches do not flow or contain stagnant water for one week or longer, they can produce large numbers of mosquitoes; report such conditions to the Department of Public Works at 410.263.7967; do not attempt to clear these ditches because they may be protected by wetland regulations.

And some additional suggestions...

- Use yellow-colored "bug lamp" bulbs in exterior lighting fixtures.
- Wear long pants and long-sleeved shirts when possible.
- Apply mosquito repellent for skin; apply mosquito repellents containing Premethrin for clothing, shoes, bednets, camping gear, awnings, etc. (not effective on skin).
- Citronella candles can be effective when windy conditions do not exist.
- Utilize mechanical devices, such as mosquito traps, lights, and magnets.
- Trim lower areas of trees and tall shrubs; mow lawns/open spaces regularly; keep weeds cut down, especially at foundations.
- Clean rain gutters to allow water to flow freely.
- Remove old tires from property; drill drainage holes in tires used for playground equipment.
- Store plastic wading pools inside or turn them upside down when not in use.
- Turn over or remove clay pots and plastic containers that collect water.
- Dispose of all empty beverage containers, plastic wrappers, discarded toys, etc. – particularly, bottles and cans in your recycling bin.
- Check for trapped water in plastic or canvas tarps used to cover boats, pools, etc.; arrange the tarp to drain the water.
- Pump out bilges in boats; turn canoes and small boats upside down for storage.
- Replace water in birdbaths at least twice a week or remove entirely.
- Remove pet food and water dishes that are not being used.
- Do not leave garbage can lids lying upside down; be sure water does not collect in the bottom of garbage cans and recycling bins.
- Fix dripping outside water faucets.
- Turn wheelbarrows upside down.

Visiting Our City Parks

The Recreation and Parks Maintenance Division welcomes you to the City's parks. As you venture out of the layers of winter clothing to enjoy the warmth of spring and summer, the Parks Maintenance Division would like to pass on some helpful tips to make your visit more enjoyable.



Back row (I to r): Ken Brown; Carl Carter; Albert Creek. Mid row: Ernest Costello, Foreman; Scott Stallings; Sheldon Green; Travin Latney and Art Thomas, Parks Administrator. Front row: John Gilmer; Raphael DeJesus; Patrick Dammeyer and Danalo Wright.

Annapolis has a variety of parks and open space offering passive and active activities for the community. You may want to relax by the waters edge in one of our sitting parks along Spa Creek and Back Creek, or enjoy a more active visit by walking our woodland trails at Truxtun Park, Back Creek Nature Park and Waterworks Park. Waterworks Park, located on Rt. 450, is a *permit only* park. You can purchase a monthly or quarterly permit from the Annapolis Recreation Center at 9 St. Mary's Street. A list of all the area parks and amenities can be found on the City's website at **www.annapolis.gov**.

As you visit the City's parks, the maintenance crews asks that you help us out by putting your litter in the trash cans that we provide throughout the parks. With everybody's help, the parks can be clean for all visitors. Please remember that if you bring your pet dog to the park, keep him on a leash...and, pick up after your pet! There are many doggie waste bag dispensers in the parks for your convenience.

You may encounter a parks maintenance crew on-the-job in the park. Sometimes younger visitors – as well as dogs – are attracted by the equipment that our crews use. Please keep back from where crews are working at least 50 feet to provide a safety zone. Contact with a crew member may be unavoidable and if this situation should arise, gain visual contact with the equipment operator before entering the safety zone, and always approach the crew member from the front, so that the equipment can be safely shut down.

Another area for safety is at our playgrounds. You will notice that there are two separate play structures in most cases which are separated based on the intended use by age group. These age groups are divided into ages 2 to 5 years and ages 5 to 12 years. The play elements for each play structure

are based on the developmental stages for each age

group. As your children maneuver in and out of the play elements, please keep a close eye on them to be sure they are utilizing the apparatus in the proper way. For other helpful playground safety



tips you may want to visit the web site of the National Program for Playground Safety (NPPS) at: www.playgroundsafety.org.

On behalf of the Annapolis Recreation and Parks Department, Maintenance Division, we hope your visit to the parks is an active, safe and enjoyable one. If you have any maintenance questions or concerns, please feel free to call us at the Maintenance Office, at 410.263.7993. The Division is located at 273 Hilltop Lane. Hours of operation are 7:00 am to 3:30 pm, Monday thru Friday. When leaving a message, please state the park location and a brief description of the problem. Welcome to our wonderful City parks!

- Andy Costello, Parks Foreman

Field Use for Open and League Play

As warm weather approaches and recreational outdoor activities begin to increase, the most popular parcel of land in Annapolis becomes open field space for youth and adult athletics.

Please remember not to infringe on permitted groups and do not use fields that are designated as "game fields only" at our venues. If fields are lined for play, please be courteous to those participants by not using these fields. Field use signs are posted in English and Spanish at all venues to ensure equal and fair usage to all. Our goal is to provide safe playing fields and equity in field and facility distribution.

For information on obtaining permits and a complete list of Annapolis Recreation & Parks scheduled facilities and fields, please check our website at www.annapolis.gov for the policies and procedures. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Sherry Whiteford, Athletic Supervisor at sawhiteford@annapolis.gov or 410.263.7958.

Recreation & Parks News

Hurricane Katrina Victims Given Recreation Support

Through the Maryland Municipal League and the Mississippi Recovery Hotline, the City of Annapolis has adopted the Long Beach, Mississippi, Department of Parks and Recreation to provide much needed supplies to help rebuild some of their park areas. Long Beach, located on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, just west of Gulfport, and with a population 17,000, was devastated by Hurricane Katrina. Many of their parks, ball fields and recreation centers were completely washed out.

The Annapolis Recreation and Parks Department is asking for your support to help provide needed recreation and park supplies. Long Beach is in need of athletic equipment, construction materials, chain link fencing, playground equipment, and other park equipment.

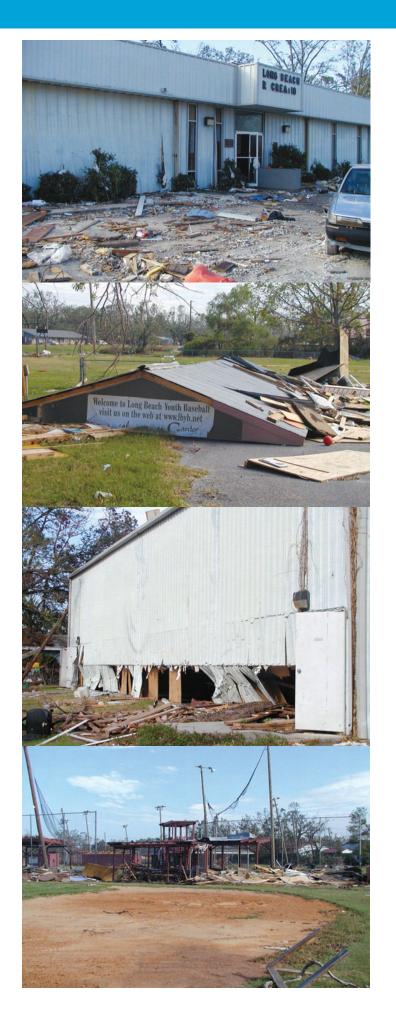
The City will also collect donations through its annual Heart-n'-Souls program at local elementary schools. The money raised from this "coin" drive will be designated for this Katrina relief effort. For more information, please contact the Annapolis Recreation and Parks Department at 410.263.7958.

Clay Street Children's Collaborative

Many of the children who reside in the Clay St. area face a variety of challenges as they grow up in what is considered a high-risk environment. For the past three years, St. Anne's Parish, Greater Clay St. Community Development Corporation and the Annapolis Rotary have combined their efforts, in conjunction with the Annapolis Recreation and Parks Department, to operate a Summer Teen Camp. Other agencies have also worked with the children in this community. To maximize these programs, a group recently formed an umbrella organization called the Clay Street Children's **Collaborative**. This new venture has representatives from many organizations — St. Anne's Parish, Greater Clay St., Rotary Mentoring Program, Annapolis Public Library, Annapolis Youth Services, Head Start, Annapolis Elementary School and the Stanton Community Center. They have come together, without diminishing individual efforts or losing organizational identities, to strengthen their overall effort to provide services to children and accomplish the following:

- Ensure that our collective services reach the greatest amount of children
- Reduce the possibility of duplication of services
- Create an information exchange
- Form a lobby for child/youth issues
- Collaborate on grants

The current chair of the CCC is Ray Langston, former Mayor of Highland Beach. Under his leadership the CCC is a moving force in trying to ease the path of children traveling a rocky road.



Summer Swim Team Comes to Truxtun Park

Penguins will descend upon the Truxtun Park pool this summer. These are no ordinary penguins, but a new breed of swim team in the Greater Annapolis Swim League. The League has hundreds of community swimmers representing various neighborhoods in and around Annapolis. The Truxtun Park team is the first public swim team to enter this league.

Summer swimming is a popular sport, allowing children ages 5-18 years an opportunity to learn the competitive swimming strokes, make friends, and get much-needed physical activity. By participating in swimming, children learn not only life-long skills, but potentially life-saving skills related to proficiency and comfort in the water.

Throughout the summer, the Penguins will learn freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, and butterfly. They will also have several opportunities to compete in friendly swim meets. The season will culminate with the League championships and a team banquet.



2005 Truxtun Park Penguins Swim Team

For more information on the Truxtun Park Penguins, refer to the program description in the summer program guide section of this magazine, send an e-mail to **Jbistrack@annapolis.gov** or call 410.263.7958.

Get Your Ounce of Prevention with Recreation and Parks

As the clock approached midnight on December 31st, many Americans faced that challenge that we love to postpone...the promise to "get in shape" and carve out some "me time" to live healthier.

New Year's resolutions aside, a healthy heart is the gift you can give yourself and your family throughout the year. The

good news is that you can often prevent disease and create good health through changes to your lifestyle.

Recognizing that many of us struggle to get the minimum daily recommended levels of physical activity (that's 30 minutes per day for adults, and 60 minutes for children), the Annapolis Recreation and Parks Department has made its own resolution to help you **Step Up To Health**. Through our healthy programs

initiatives, we are committed to making health an easy choice for you. As you look through our program offerings in the

Program Guide section of this magazine, take note of our physical activity and nutrition options for children, adults and even families.

Got a busy family and feel like you don't have time to exercise? Check out the **Family Fitness Challenge**, a partnership program with the Anne Arundel County

Department of Health. Love to swim and want to figure out how to gain some laps and shed some calories? Dive into our **swim programs** for kids and adults at Truxtun Park pool. ARPD also offers many other programs and facilities to help you Step It Up – including sixteen miles of on and off road trails throughout the City.

Fitness is waiting for you at Recreation and Parks. Make new friends, learn new skills, and most importantly, make this the year you

honor your promise to yourself and your family to live healthier. Let Annapolis Recreation and Parks help YOU Step Up to Health!



Family Fitness Challenge

oin the Annapolis Recreation and Parks Department as we team up with the Anne Arundel County Department of Health for this annual program.

The Family Fitness Challenge will encourage you to live better and live healthier – for six sensational weeks.

The Learn to Live Family Fitness Challenge is a free program to anyone who works or lives in Anne Arundel County. Challenge yourself, your family and your friends to eat five servings of fruits or vegetables and exercise at least 30 minutes a day. Success means more energy, less health problems, looking and feeling your best and most of all – it's fun! Register online at www.aahealth.org and click on the Fitness Challenge logo.

Transportation News

"Taxi!"

By Paula Chase Hyman, Marketing Specialist

The cry of commuters hailing cabs may be on the rise, because the City of Annapolis is extending a little hospitality to those residents who make a living extending hospitality – restaurant and late-shift hotel workers in the downtown area.

In an ongoing effort to identify solutions to the City's parking limitations, the Transportation Board's Parking sub-committee recommended extended-hour transit for hotel, bar and wait staff of downtown businesses. As a result **Taxi**

Valet, a commuter transportation program, was launched on February 1, 2006.

Taxi Valet was modeled after the Annapolis Department of Transportation's guaranteed ride home program, Fareless Cab, which relies on the participation of local cab companies to provide free or reduced fare rides home to commuters. "Whenever we'd promote mass transit among employees downtown, it was pointed out that the buses do not run as late as the bars are open," said

Transportation Director, Danielle Matland. "Taxi Valet is designed to encourage late-shift downtown commuters to park at the stadium. In return for parking at the stadium we offer them a cab ride to their vehicle."

In partnership with the Historic Annapolis Foundation, Annapolis Business Association, and the Inner West Street Business Association, the City of Annapolis developed this program to alleviate the parking crunch that downtown businesses catering to the City's thriving tourist population encounter. Taxi Valet is a year-round program at the service of local hospitality commuters.

The Scoop on Taxi Valet

Local businesses in the historic district and Inner West Street may register their business with the Department of

Transportation to receive Taxi Valet vouchers. After Annapolis

Transit shuttle's regular operating hours, after 8 p.m. weekdays, 6 p.m. weekends, the vouchers are good for a cab ride from the workplace to the Navy-Marine Corps stadium.

The commuter is responsible for the first two dollars of the cab ride. The City picks up the remainder of the fare.

The vouchers may also be used for emergency transportation back to the stadium, after regular shuttle hours. With prior approval, commuters who are Annapolis Transit monthly

pass holders may use the vouchers to reach destinations other than the stadium.

The following taxi cab companies are participating: Yellow Cab, Annapolis Cab, Checker Cab, Reliable Cab, Neet N Kleen Cab.

For more information on how to register a business for Taxi Valet contact 410.263.7964, X107.



Youth Has Its Privileges

'Tweens and teens of Annapolis, your Mayor would like for you to get on the bus! And she's even making it easy to do.

In January 2005, Mayor Ellen Moyer approved a Citywide student discount program to allow the City's public school students to ride any Annapolis Transit route for half-price, when displaying a valid school ID. The idea was conceived in September after the Mayor presented Annapolis Senior High School Principal, Donald Lilley, with 500 Annapolis Transit tokens for the school's after-hours remedial Help program.

"After donating the tokens and hearing how well-received they were among students in the Help program, I thought it was prudent that we do what we could to make our transit system available to all students, throughout the year," said Mayor Moyer. "It's a step toward nurturing the next generation of Annapolitans to be more comfortable with transit options and embrace clean commuting as a regular part of their quality life in and outside of Annapolis.

A demo of the program began December 15th and will run through June 2006. The trial period will allow Annapolis Transit and the City of Annapolis to track the number of students using the program and assess which routes are in most demand among the student population, with an eye on expanding it to students living in the county. "We've been providing the tokens to the high school for years and were aware that prior to their purchase, many students went without much needed tutoring simply because they had no way home," said Annapolis Department of Transportation Director, Danielle Matland. "We believe a discount program will give students, and subsequently their parents, the freedom they need to get back and forth from school-related functions, as well as jobs."

Students must provide parental consent to register with the Department of Transportation. Upon registration, their *Youth, continued on Page 45.*

Transportation News



Shuttle In/Shuttle Out

Annapolis Transit continues to make enhancements to its shuttle service. Current service from Navy-Marine Corps stadium to Historic Annapolis is offered via two free shuttle systems.

The **State Shuttle**, express service directly to state offices at Church Circle, operates weekdays from 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. and runs until 10:30 p.m. Monday's during General Assembly session. Shuttles arrive and depart frequently, every five minutes during rush hour and every ten to fifteen minutes at all other times.



The **Navy Blue Shuttle** operates 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Navy Blue leaves the stadium on the hour and half-hour with stops at the Visitors Center, Naval Academy, City Dock and West Annapolis.

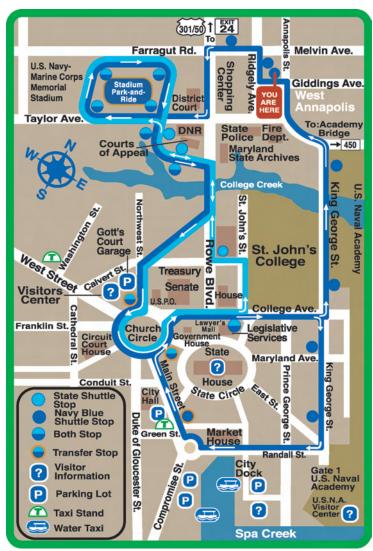
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student ID will be validated and approved for use to receive the discount.

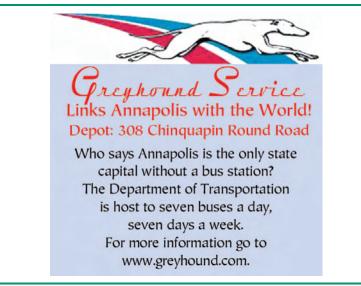
The discount will be valid only during non-school hours and on the weekends, but will be honored on all Annapolis Transit routes, including the county connectors extending to Shady Side, Anne Arundel Community College and Arundel Mills.

"We're pleased to have been the impetus behind this new initiative," said Principal, Donald Lilley. "This will go a long way to ensure students that need it most have access to more opportunity throughout the City and the county."

The new discount program joins the transit system's existing youth programs; the Summer Youth Pass program, a \$25 discount pass good June through Labor Day for all county students and the Summer School Express, a special route stop which provides access to area students to summer school held at South River High School.



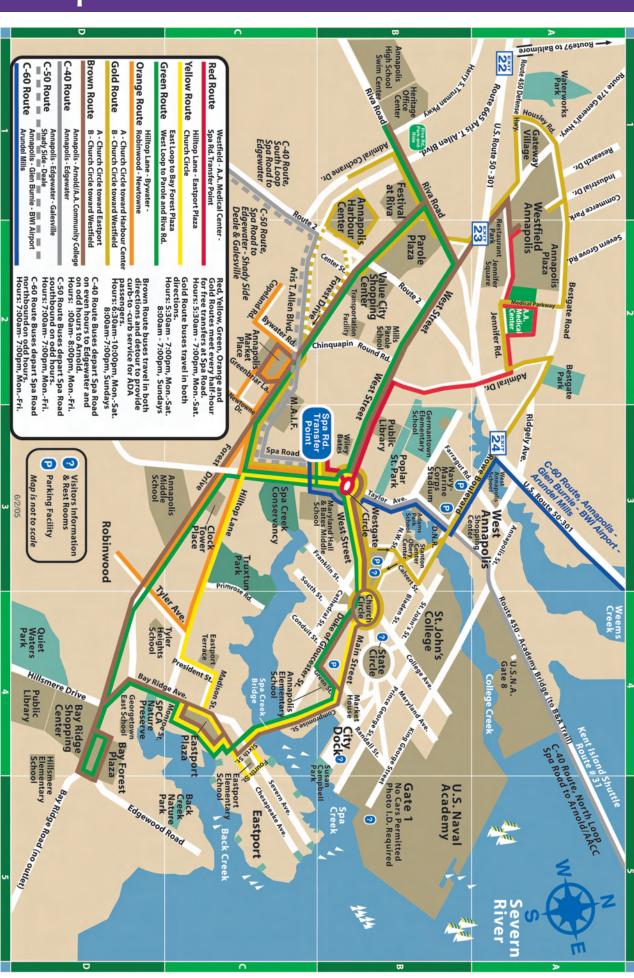
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Check out the Anapolis Transit website: www.annapolis.gov
Jump word: TRANSIT

Transportation News



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First Sundays Coming Once Again!

This spring, keep your **First Sunday's** open for fun. As a way of saying "thank you" to all of those who have contributed so much to the success of Inner West Street, the Inner West Street Association sponsors a series of street festivals in the first block on the first



Sunday of each month between May and October. First Sunday celebrates art, music, food, dance, and crafts throughout the first block of West Street. This season's themes include Artworks in June, Kunte Kinte/ Carr's Beach in August,

Hispanic festival and Elks Parade in September, and OctoberWest in October.

Annapolis Salutes the Volvo Ocean Race "Best Sailors Party in History"

On Friday, May 5th, 2006, on the joint properties of the Eastport Yacht Club (EYC) and the Severn Sailing School (SSA) in Annapolis, Maryland, the crews of the Volvo Ocean Race will be welcomed by thousands of sailors at what *Sailing* magazine has dubbed the "*Best Sailors Party in History!*" after the 1998 Race.

The Crew Party, from 5:00-11:00pm, will feature Volvo Crews, showcase the musical talents of local and regional favorites and offer great food and beverages for purchase. Check the website at **www.eastportyc.org** for more details.

Spring is the Season of Renaissance

Here are some rebirths, renewals and returns to anticipate in Annapolis by May 1st.

- Annual Flower Mart and May Basket celebration
- Reopening of the Market House, with a newly bricked plaza surrounding it
- ❖ A new pedestrian entrance at Gate One of the Naval Academy
- The return of the Volvo Fleet
- Thousands of tulips brightening parks and planters around town
- Sailing Hall of Fame exhibit opening at City Dock
- Wednesday night races. . . and world class regattas

FREQUENTLY REQUESTED TELEPHONE NUMBERS & SERVICES:

Visitor Information Attraction	IS,	City Information			
Accommodations & Activities		Bus Schedules and Airport Shuttle	410.263.7964		
Conference and Visitors Bureau	410.280.0445	Legal Aid	410.263.8330		
Visitors Center	410.280.0445	Parking Enforcement	410.26.9000		
Naval Academy Information	410.293.1000		ext. 210 or 270		
,		Public Works	410.263.7949		
State Information		Resident Parking	410.263.7952		
Comptroller (Taxes)	410.260.7980	Trash Pickup	410.263.7967		
Social Services (State of Maryland)	410.269.4500	Voting (Election Board)	410.263.7929		
Tax Assessor	410.974.5709	Water Bills	410.263.7953		
Vital Records (Birth/Death Certificates)	410.764.3038	Private Sector			
or	800.832.3277	BGE	1.800.685.0123		
Anne Arundel County		Greater Annapolis	1.600.065.0125		
·	410 222 5000	Chamber of Commerce	410.268.7676		
Information	410.222.7000	COMCAST Cable	410.268.7551		
Animal Control	410.222.8900	or			
Board of Education (Schools)	410.222.5000	SPCA	410.268.5285		
Board of Elections (Voting)	410.222.6600	Boarding Kennel	410.268.1769		
Budget & Finance (Taxes)	410.222.1222	Landlord/Tenant	410.243.6007		
Communication Action Agency	410.626.1900 410.222.7600		110.213.0007		
County Economic Development Iustice of the Peace		Other Information			
Land Records	410.222.1397 410.222.1425	Passport Office	202.647.0518		
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Marriage License Police Department	410.222.1434				
Recreation & Parks	410.222.7300				
Tax Billing	410.222.7300				
Voter Information	410.222.6600				
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